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What Shall We Do With Our

Excess Gold? By Edward A. Bradford

Price Inflation or Guarding World's Gold Standard the Alternatives



HE significance of the change in the form of the Federal Reserve Bank statement, which earmarks practically a 100 per cent. gold reserve to be held back of reserve notes, is that our central bank turns the leaf of its war services and prepares itself for its greater work of peace. The two tasks required treatments as different as the difference in the statements, which are matters of substance although regarded as of form. One writer spoke of the form of this year as a mere book-

keeping entry regarding gold, and another, as a reclassification of the items of the statement for the purpose of clarifying them. On the other hand, it is open to those who wish to regard the change so lightly spoken of as a step toward that control of the money market which the spokesmen for the Federal Reserve have long had in mind and which was impracticable so long as the reserves were excessive on any standard of banking and so long as the Federal Reserve subordinated control of the money market to financing the Treasury.

No central bank ever had greater problems thrust upon it than our Federal Reserve in its earliest years. Then it had no traditions, and only the principles—if they can be called principles—enacted for control of the financial factor which itself should be the control of all other factors. Unwillingly, but with deliberation and intention, the Federal Reserve system patriotically "adopted a policy in order to assist in the war financing which was economically unsound." Thus was established a sentiment and precedent in favor of unduly low discount rates which it is now difficult to set aside, especially when the reserve ratio is between 70 and 80 per cent. Unless this temptation can be put out of sight the pressure for easy credit, with inflationary and speculative results becomes difficult to resist.

The situation now calls for control of credit as strongly as it then called for creation of credit. When the Treasury was calling for billions it was necessary to use gold on the banking principle rather than on the currency principle, that is, to issue Federal Reserve notes

on 40 per cent. gold as a partial basis, and with a fiduciary element in commercial paper for the balance. The new form of bank statement earmarks a trifle more of gold than the total of the Federal Reserve notes in circulation. The figures are for Jan. 16, "Gold held exclusively against F. R. notes \$2,177,679,000," and "F. R. notes in actual circulation \$2,084,320,000," "Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined 80.1 per cent." The form of the statement cannot modify the lawful reserve of 40 per cent. gold against notes and 35 per cent. against deposits. The joinder of the two reserves would better be separated, and there then would appear a reserve of only something more than 50 per cent. against the credits for the accommodation of commerce. No one would urge that the commercial credit reserves should be reduced to the legal minimum. Everybody would regard that as the apprehension minimum below which the credit reserve ratio should not fall, and the approach to which should be regarded as the distant signal, beyond which the bank would be "running on the yellow," that is, with fair warning of danger to all concerned. Then the Federal Reserve Bank would be in a position to enforce its policies with the prestige of its war record, and the sanction of the statutes in support of it, against which the political bankers might be left to rage in vain.

In support of this policy there is the judgment of the British Committee on Currency and Foreign Exchange (the so-called Cunliffe committee) as to the method by which England could best return to the gold standard and par of exchange. That committee regarded it as proven that bank notes should be issued only at par for par in gold, as provided in the Bank act of 1844, but violated during the war. "It is very undesirable to place the whole responsibility upon the discretion of the banks, subject as they will be to very great pressure in a matter of this kind. If they know that they can get notes freely, the temptation to adopt a lax loan policy will be very great. In order, therefore, to ensure that this is not done, and the gold standard thereby endangered, it is, in our judgment, imperative that the issue of fidu-

ciary notes shall be, as soon as practicable, once more limited by law, and that the present arrangements under which deposits at the Bank of England may be exchanged for legal tender currency without affecting the reserve of the banking department shall be terminated at the earliest possible moment. Additional demands for legal tender currency otherwise than in exchange for gold should be met from the reserves of the Bank of England, and not by the Treasury, so that the necessary checks upon an undue issue may be brought regularly Spokesmen for the Federal Reserve, notably A. C. Miller, applauded this declaration and urged similar action for the benefit of the United States. There are differences in detail between the two cases. Our Treasury is not issuing currency. Federal Reserve notes are not legal tender and are not reserves for member banks. But in principle it is as desirable for us as it is necessary for England that the volume of domestic credit shall be controlled by the movement of gold in the settlement of international balances. It might be said that this is even more necessary for us than for England, since we are the only country of international importance in a money sense which has the ability and the duty to preserve the gold standard by assistance to nations trying to return to it or to maintain it. We are the trustees of four billions of gold, more than half the world's stock of monetary gold. If we keep it for our sole use we weaken its value by as much as we strengthen those who propose the use of monetary substitutes. Among them are such leaders of economic thought as Professor Cassel, J. M. Keynes and perhaps even our own Professor Fisher, who would

substitute for variable gold an imaginary dollar whose purchasing power is to be kept uniform with an index figure. Professor Cassel has a theory about conducting trade between nations by keeping their currencies at an equivalence of "purchasing power parity," which is beyond the comprehension of the average "man in the street," and of all but the most competent bankers. Mr. Keynes would demonetize gold for England, which has none free to come overseas without license. He says:

"The theory on which the Federal Reserve Board is supposed to govern its discount policy, by reference to the influx and efflux of gold and the proportion of gold to liabilities, is as dead as mutton. It perished, and perished justly, as soon as the Federal Reserve Board began to ignore its ratio and to accept gold without allowing it to exercise its full influence, merely because an expansion of credit and prices seemed at that moment undesirable. From that day gold was demonetized by almost the last country which still continued to do it lip service, and a dollar standard was set up on the pedestal of the golden calf. For the past two years the United States has pretended to maintain a gold standard. In fact it has established a dollar standard; and, instead of ensuring that the value of the dollar shall conform to that of gold, it makes provision, at great expense, that the value of gold shall conform to that of the dollar. This is the way by which a rich country is able to combine new wisdom with old prejudice."

Theory is good, but fact is better. The fact is that the Federal Reserve has repeatedly declared that the regulation of prices is not its

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The Burden of Internal Debt

By Hartley Withers

This is the sixth in a series of articles on International Finance.



MONG the arguments put forward for a capital levy in England, a favorite one is that the debt charge is so enormous the country cannot possibly stand it and some drastic measure in the shape of a levy is absolutely necessary to deal with this millstone which is alleged to be round our necks. It is interesting to note that this cry of the total impossibility of bearing the weight of the debt which war has left behind it has been periodical in the course of our history and

has continually proved itself to be completely mistaken. A well known passage in Macaulay's history recounts, in dealing with the origin of the debt in the time of William III., that at every stage in its growth the nation has set up the same cry of anguish and despair, and it has been seriously asserted by wise men that bankruptcy and ruin were at hand. When the war with Louis XIV. was ended by the Peace of Utrecht the nation owed about £50,000,000. "That debt was considered, not merely by the rude multitude, nor merely by foxhunting squires and coffee-house orators, but by acute and profound thinkers, as an incumbrance which would permanently cripple the body politic. Nevertheless trade flourished, wealth increased, the nation became richer and richer."

After the war of the Austrian succession that debt increased to $\pounds 80,000,000$; predictions that our case was desperate were equally emphatic.

When war broke out again, and under the energetic and prodigal Administration of the first William Pitt the debt rapidly swelled to £140,000,000, it was unanimously pronounced that the fatal day had really arrived. Edmund Burke was the only statesman who did not share in the general delusion. "David Hume, undoubtedly one of the most profound political economists of his time, declared that our madness had exceeded the madness of the crusaders. Richard Coeur de Lion and St. Louis had not gone in the face of arithmetical demonstration. It was impossible to prove by figures that the road to Paradise did not lie through the Holy Land, but it was possible to prove by figures that the road to national ruin was through the na-It was idle, however, now to talk about the road; we had done with the road; we had reached the goal; all was over; all the revenues of the island north of Trent and west of Reading were mortgaged. Better for us to have been conquered by Prussia or Austria than to be saddled with the interest of £140,000,000." This prediction Macaulay describes as remaining to posterity a memorable instance of the weakness from which the strongest minds are not exempt. Adam Smith was not quite so badly mistaken. He admitted that the nation sustained and throve under the burden in a way which nobody could have foreseen, but he warned his countrymen that the limit had been reached and that even a small increase in the debt might be fatal. A very practical Minister, George Grenville, took so serious a view of our financial situation that he maintained that

the nation must sink under a debt of £140,000,000 unless part of the load was laid on the shoulders of the American Colonies. The attempt to make them do so produced another war and added another £100,000,000 of debt to be borne without the help of the Colonies which had been represented as indispensable. Soon after came the wars which arose from the French Revolution, and when the world was again at rest the funded debt of England amounted to £800,000,000.

"We can hardly wonder," says Macaulay, "that the cry of despair should have been louder than ever. But again that cry was found to have been as unreasonable as ever. After a few years of exhaustion, England recovered herself. Yet, like Addison's valetudinarian, who continued to whimper that he was dying of consumption till he became so fat that he was shamed into silence, she went on complaining that she was sunk in poverty till her wealth showed itself by tokens which made her complaints ridiculous. The beggared, the bankrupt society not only proved able to meet all its obligations, but while meeting those obligations grew richer and richer so fast that the growth could almost be discerned by the eye."

These quotations should surely comfort those who believe that the burden of the debt charge is more than this country can bear. We have to remember that the charge of the debt, in so far as the debt is held at home, merely affects the distribution of the national wealth and has little, if any, effect upon its amount or power to increase. The tax-gatherer collects money from you and me and passes it to the debt holders; we have less to spend or invest and he has more.

It may be asked, if these things are so, whether a debt is not really a blessing in disguise and whether it would not be advisible to increase it as far as possible. But there are certain very strong objections to debt increase which make taxation a far better means of providing for the needs of the Government. In the first place, when a Government borrows very large amounts at home it is almost certain that inflation will follow, because the Government cannot possibly get all these amounts from the savings of the citizens and part of them have to be provided by the creation of bank credit, which means an addition to purchasing power and a depreciation of the currency. Moreover, we never know what fresh crisis may overwhelm a nation, and it is therefore highly desirable that the debt should not be increased unduly, so that the nation's credit shall stand as high as possible in order to meet an emergency; and finally, although the collection of taxation for the payment of the home debt charge only distributes the wealth of the country but does not diminish it, it may hinder enterprise by taking cash from the producers and paying it over to investors who will only place it at the disposal of producers on payment of a rate for using it. For these reasons it is certainly sound finance to reduce the debt in times of national prosperity. On the other hand, the contention that the weight of home debt is an overwhelming burden upon the people has been so often shown to be incorrect that it cannot be taken to justify such a questionable experiment as a levy on capital.

Official Washington: By RODNEY BEAN

Special Correspondence to The Annalist.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.



HE death of Nikolai Lenin, coupled with the hearings before a Senate committee reviewing the attitude of the State Department toward Soviet propaganda, has brought the Russian situation into notice again, and especially that phase of it emphasized by Secretary Hughes's declaration that a prerequisite to any negotiation with Russia must be a Soviet agreement to "repeal their decree repudiating Russia's obligations to this country and appropriately recognize them."

What are these obligations, aside from the national debts of former Russian Governments, such as war debts? All told, they amount to 117,500,000 gold rubles or, approximately, \$58,750,000, and represent the pre-war investment of American capital in Russian enterprises. They have long since been written off the books of the companies involved, of course, but they represent claims against the Soviet Government, nevertheless, and Secretary Hughes is determined they shall not be repudiated if he can help it.

The estimate, curiously enough, is of Soviet origin. The Russian Government recently undertook a survey of pre-war investments in Russian industry and commerce by all foreign Governments and nationals. From this Leonard J. Lewery, Assistant Chief of the Eastern European and Levantine division of the Department of Commerce, has tabulated America's claims.

As to the value of the conclusions which are set down by Mr. Lewery (they have not heretofore been published in English) Director Klein of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce says: "Various commissions and committees have been formed in all the principal countries to ascertain the extent and nature of the claims of their nationals against Russia. The results of their work, with few exceptions, have not been published in extenso up to the present time. So far as they have been published, there is sufficient agreement with the results of the Russian investigation to give considerable degree of confidence in the latter." Dr. Klein adds, however, that the Department of Commerce is not in a position to vouch for the accuracy of the data presented by Mr. Lewery.

That the pre-war investments of American capital in parts of Russia now under Soviet rule were relatively small as compared with investments of capital of certain European nations is one of the points developed in the survey. Foreign investments in pre-war Russia, including part of Russia not now under Soviet control, are given as 2,242,974,600 Russian gold rubles, the value of the gold ruble being \$0.5146. The allied powers and the United States are represented in this total to the extent of 75 per cent., German and Austrian capital to about 20 per cent. and neutral countries to about 5 per cent. A number of the enterprises included in this summary are, however, in territory now beyond the boundaries of Soviet Russia, namely, in Finland, Poland, Esthonia, Lithuania, Latvia and Bessarabia. These enterprises which escaped expropriation represented, according to Mr. Lewery, a capitalization of 235,668,400 gold rubles.

There remain, therefore, foreign investments valued at 2,007,306,200 gold rubles to be accounted for. Table I., setting forth these foreign investments, shows that French capital was most heavily involved, with American capital, fifth on the list, involved to the extent of only 117,750,000 gold rubles, as compared with 648,089,700 gold rubles invested by the French. Mr. Lewery sums up the situation by stating that, of the total foreign pre-war investments in Russia within present Soviet boundaries, French and English capital represented 57.2 per cent. and that of all the allied and associated countries 78.7 per cent. Capital from German and Austrian territory represented 16.1 per cent., and from neutral nations 5.2 per cent. The proportionately lower share of German investments is explained by the fact that a considerable portion of them were in Poland and the Baltic succession States.

The totals given cover capital stock and bonds in Russian industries and commerce. There is one exception, namely, that investments in Russian railroad enterprises are not covered in the estimates. The bonds of private Russian railroad companies are guaranteed by the Government and come under the head of national debts, as would, of course, the bonds issued by State railroads. Records show that there was little American capital invested in the Russian railroad systems.

American investments in Russia presented a strong contrast with those of European nations. Investments by American nationals in industrial securities, railroad stocks or those of small enterprises, especially on a partial scale, were practically absent. Half a dozen

large American concerns hold practically all of the American claims against Soviet Russia. All of the American capital was, with but two exceptions, invested in enterprises of trade, finance or insurance.

Under the heading of manufacturing concerns, the Russian summary itemizes ten American enterprises, with total pre-war investments of 117,500,000 gold rubles. Of these, two were manufacturing concerns—the International Harvester Company, with a capital stock of 60,450,000 rubles (\$31,000,000), and the Otis Elevator Company, capitalized in Russia at 500,000 rubles.

Dealing with trading companies, the review shows that of the oncerns engaged in commerce and insurance the Singer Manufacturing Company, with a stock capital of 50,000,000 gold rubles, and the Russian Babcock & Wilcox Corporation, capitalized at 500,000 rubles, represented branches of those well-known American concerns. American capital controlled almost completely three other Russian trading corporations, namely, the Russian-American Trade and Industrial Ccrporation, with a stock capital of 3,000,000 rubles; the J. Black Company, stock capital of 1,000,000 rubles, and the Russian-American Rato Corporation of 1,000,000 rubles stock capital. The participation of American capital in the first mentioned concern was estimated at not less than 2,500,000 rubles; in the second and third, 800,000 rubles each.

American capital was further largely interested in the Russian Vacuum Oil Company, capitalized at 2,400,000 rubles. The direct American holdings in this concern, represented by the National City Bank of New York, were estimated at 50 per cent., or 1,200,000 rubles.

As to insurance companies, the New York Life Insurance Company and the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States were represented in Russia by corporations operating under Russian statutes, which were required by law to deposit certain minimum funds (500,000 rubles each) with the Russian State Bank by way of guarantee to policy holders.

According to the summary of its investigations published by the Soviet Institute of Economic Research, all foreign capital invested in banking, industrial and commercial enterprises in pre-war Russia, in the form of stock companies and corporations compelled by law to publish their balance sheets can be separated into two major divisions of (a) capital stock and (b) bonds and debentures.

The statistics of foreign investments compiled by the Institute of Economic Research, says Mr. Lewery, are based on the par value of securities. The report states, however, that the par value of capital stocks and bonds of Russian enterprises held by foreigners does not, as a matter of fact, represent the actual investments of foreign capital in these enterprises. There is a disparity between the face value and the amounts of capital actually paid in. On the one hand, premiums in common stock were distributed gratis, along with the preferred stocks and bonds of Russian enterprises held by foreigners does not, siderable percentage of original stock issues. Again, in many enterprises, the capital stock issues were inflated at the time of their flotation in consequence of the original founders transferring properties to the corporation at a valuation in excess of their real worth. Capitalization was further inflated through the sale of bond issues at a discount.

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Labor Influence on British Industry and Finance By F. C. CHAPPELL

Special Correspondence of The Annalist.

LONDON, Jan. 15, 1924.



HERE has been a steady, although comparatively small, decline in prices on the London Stock Exchange during the past few weeks, due to political influences, expectation of the so-called Labor Party coming into office being the chief factor causing depression. I may add for the guidance of the American public that the Labor Party does not represent the bulk of the British working men and women, but it does represent the Socialistic side of Labor, which only polled 4,300,000

votes at the recent election on a capital levy program, against 9,980,000 votes cast against it. The Labor Government would not be allowed by the Libera's or the Conservatives to pass confiscatory measures, but a Socialist Cabinet would be able to exercise a bad influence on national affairs before it could be ejected. It would be able to influence administration although it could do little in the way of legislation, except of the wisest sort. Even the moderate leaders of the party scoff at the idea of capital leaving the country, calling attention to the fixed capital around us in the shape of railroads, factories, machinery, &c. Even the responsible men in the movement have but the dimmest ideas regarding finance. Fixed capital is, of course, "fixed" in this country and cannot be removed of necessity. But capital is only an instrument and is a useless thing without the directing brain behind it. Fixed capital, without management and without adequate circulating capital to keep it in motion, would rapidly become useless. Russia is an instance in point. Fears of confiscation would dry up the sources of circulating capital, leaving fixed capital idle, and it would soon fall into decay.

Undoubtedly the position of affairs at the time of writing is causing uneasiness among investors, both at home and abroad. The public feel that the politicians are thinking too much of parties and too little about England's welfare. Mere political strategy might, it is thought, bring us near to a panic on the London Stock Exchange. Readers of that excellent volume, "American Securities," by William Grosvenor, know what happened on the New York Stock Exchange on a May morning in 1884. "A stranger looked down from the gallery of the exchange upon what seemed to be a mob of lunatics. Hundreds of men, crazy with excitement, were trying to sell anything, every-Nobody wanted to buy. Honest and prudent investors lost heavily. Widows and orphans were left penniless. Fully 200,000 men, who were building railroads, soon found themselves out of employment because railroad building had stopped. Iron and coal mines, iron furnaces and machine shops, rail mills and locomotive works, all over the country, were compelled to stop, and want stalked into thousands of homes. All this, because the market dropped.

It was the mere possibility, not of a Labor Government, but of the return of a larger number of Labor-Socialist members to Parliament that led to some transference of funds from London to New York, accompanied by a decline in sterling as compared with the dollar. The Labor Party, defying reason and experience, put in the forefront of their program their design of a levy on capital. Remembering that, as in Switzerland, the effect of bringing the mere question of a levy on capital into practical politics by means of a referendum, led to a light of foreign capital from Switzerland, it is easy to forecast what would happen in England if menaced by the probability of such a measure. But fortunately there is a solid mass of opinion and votes in Parliament against it. But capital can only live and thrive in an atmosphere of confidence and security. It is because the country realizes that a solid phalanx of members stands between the country and any such mad pranks that matters are taken so quietly.

The term "Capital Levy," being so unpopular, has been changed to "Relief for the Taxpayer," which has a much pleasanter sound. The first item in the Labor list of legislative measures is a "Program of National Work," which would cost untold millions of additional taxation. Next mentioned in their list is the restoration of property to agriculture, which is to be done by means of extending facilities for State credit and State insurance to farmers and "promoting and assisting co-operative methods." It is not shown how this measure would enable the farmers to bridge the gap between the world prices of agricultural products and their own minimum costs of production. Another item in the Socialist program is the nationalization of the means of production and distribution—the Socializa-

tion of shops, factories and banks. Every vote given for Labor at the recent election was in favor of the capital levy to the extent of £3,000,000,000 and also for nationalization of industry and many other things, including all forms of public service, transport, &c. To belong to the Labor Party it is essential that the applicant should subscribe to a rigid formula of faith, including the demand that the supplies of food and other necessaries of life (especially bread, meat, milk, sugar, butter and margarine), water, coal, lighting, transport by rail, steamer, tram and omnibus, shall be acquired by the State to be administered nationally or municipally. Practically every petty tradesman comes within the grip of the Socialist organization as well as the big industries. The Parliamentary whip of the party-a most responsible official-says that their program is intended to secure the Socialization of all the great industries. Banks are to be accorded the same treatment, their credit being used in promoting a variety of foolish schemes. In the official statement of Socialist policy it is declared specifically that "the distribution of foodstuff in townfrom milk and meat to bread and vegetables-should be taken out of the hands of the present multiplicity of dealers and storekeepers and organized by consumers' co-operative societies and the local authorities. All this might probably entail a return to the war conditions of queries and food control with all its daily irritation and wasteful administration. The hundreds of thousands of retailers, whose livelihood would be taken from them, would be left without mercy or compensation to face ruin. As a matter of fact these Socialists are purely theorists and know absolutely nothing of the conditions of finance, trade or industry, but with light hearts, and even lighter heads, presume, if they ever obtain power, meaning a clear working Parliamentary majority over all other parties combined, to tamper with the delicately-adjusted machinery which enables some forty millions of people to live in the United Kingdom.

Many of these wild schemes have been tried in other countries and have been dismal failures. Nationalization has completely failed in almost every instance. One of the latest instances of failure is the huge losses incurred on the State shipping of Australia, running into millions a year, until the present Premier of the Commonwealth stopped the waste of public money by placing the ships under business management. Then, too, there are the yearly deficits on the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian State ships, while those under the American flag might also be mentioned.

Then, too, we have only to look at Russia and we are presented with a true object lesson of which such doctrines mean and the terrible disaster which they have brought upon that splendid country, rich in everything but the capacity to govern on sane lines. Two years ago the Russian Communists abandoned their ruinous courses in favor "State Capitalism," which is what the English Socialists mean when they talk about Socialization or Nationalization. But the change has had no effect for good in Russia. In a recent issue of the London Economist the story of this fresh failure is given. The "New Economic Policy" of the Russians, and of which English Socialists are so fond, is all ending in failure, having proved quite unworkable. "Although the output of the industries scarcely amounts to 25-30 per cent. of the pre-war figures, they can find no market for their production." There is little to sell and very few buyers. Cost of production has risen and prices are quite beyond the limited means of the peasants, who form the bulk of the buyers. "In the course of the last financial year ending Oct. 1, 1923, direct subsidies to nationalized industries reached about 150,000,000 gold rubles, or about 12 per cent. of the total expenditure and about 25 per cent. of the deficit." The banks, controlled by the Soviet, are in a hopeless condition.

The nervousness which has exisited in the public mind in the event of a Labor-Socialist Government coming into power, even for a short time, rests not on anything said by those who disagree with them, but on the statements of those of their own party who are regarded as moderate men. It is just these "moderate" men who advocate the capital levy by which £3,000,000,000 is to be confiscated, bringing disaster to the country and to its industries and people. The Labor Party also stands for the principle that every man, however idle or useless, has a right to receive from the community support at trade union rates. One of the leading men in the party says that "Labor has declared war against the organization of society called private enterprise. Labor demands the progressive elimination from

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The Business Background of the Philippine Question By CHARLES HODGES Assistant Director, Division of Oriental Commerce and Politics, New York University

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ITH Congress called upon to weigh the question of America's continued occupation of the Philippine Islands, the business background of the independence question becomes of far-reaching importance in any decision. In dollars-and-cents terms it is a question of foreign investment. East or West, trade follows not the flag but the dollar—and the pound sterling, and the yen. Our Filipino wards are aware of this fact; today, in the post-war problems of reconstruc-

tion, the Philippines stand out as a significant instance of the interrelationship of politics and economics. In the last analysis, the American business man and the Filipino politician have split upon the rock of foreign investment.

Even the geographic position of the Philippines lends color to this statement. They stand at the door to East Asia, the dividing line between the Pacific and the Indian Ocean archipelagoes. Both Americans and Filipinos have been given to placing a thumb where Manila ought to be on a map of the Eastern Hemisphere and describing with outstretched fingers a circle. Within this 1,700 mile radius, they will tell you, lies the key to Pacific commercial supremacy. To the north are the great Japanese business centres of Yokohama, Kobe, and Osaka; then the North China ports of Dairen and Tientsin; the China coast from Shanghai to Canton and Hongkong; Saigon, Bangkok, and Singapore, the British-held gateway to the wealth of the Indies; Batavia and Sourabaya in the Netherlands East Indies, and southward to Australia-all within that five-day steaming radius. Manila the centre of a 2,500 miles radius, the imagination merchandises almost half the world's population; for 761,205,000 people live and toil in this circle engirding Vladivostok, the Pacific door to Siberia, India to the Arabian Sea, and Oceanica to Perth and Brisbane ın Australia.

Now comes in the question of investment. The members of the American Chamber of Commerce in Manila will go a step further than the Filipinos in the matter of capitalizing our opportunity on the Pacific-for, of course, it is a matter of dollars to develop it. Although the Philippine Archipelago, with its 3,000 or more islands lying at "the cross-roads of the greatest trade routes of the future," is perhaps exposed to aggression from every corner of the earth, our American interests believe the United States must retain sovereignty over these islands to realize their full possibilities. Located in the most densely populated regions of the world, nevertheless the Philippines with their round 11,000,000 of Malayan peoples are underpopulated. Where land hunger is a driving force in world politics, but 11,503 square miles out of a total area of 115,026 square miles are under cultivation; yet this 10 per cent, of the total is valued at \$229,000,000. Forest land of commercial value totals 64,880 square miles, 99 per cent. still belonging to the Philippine people. So it goes, the total wealth of the Philippines, with all this under-development, standing at \$5,500,000,000.

The crux of the situation is the titanic struggle for raw material now being waged by the great industrial powers of the world. In it, the tropics have assumed a new significance. From the standpoint of the Americans on the firing line of this bitter competition in the Orient for essential products and strategic raw materials, the Philippines seem to mean much to the future of the United States. They see America virtually lacking tropical possessions—but 40 per cent. of the tropics are independent; the European powers have extended their tropical dominion to roundly 59 per cent. of the earth's "heat belt," and the United States has under its flag not even 1 per cent. Rubber, cocoanut oil, hemp, sugar, petroleum, become investments in patriotism.

Hence into the terms of investment down below the Equator comes the question of independence. So far as the Philippines are concerned, it is clean-cut between Americans and Filipinos. "To safeguard our own imperative future needs," an American friend in Manila who is a spokesman of the over-seas interest maintains, "and at the same time insure the material prosperity and political salvation of the Filipino people, it is absolutely essential that American control of the islands continue in some form. Once let this fact be definitely agreed upon, capital would then be willing to take a chance upon the measure of local autonomy which might be granted, with a consequent development of the economic wealth of the islands which would early rival that of Cuba and Porto Rico." On the other hand, our Filipino

wards are equally certain that such conditions for the attraction of capital will place the islands under an economic dominion dooming independence. As a high native official told me in Manila while Governor-General Harrison was still in the Philippines, "the Philippine Government, contrary to the general impression you mention in the United States, is not opposed to foreign capital. There is a great need for the national development of our resources; in this, however, the Government should be the partner of capital, co-operating in such development."

This significant qualifying phrase regarding Government cooperation with private enterprise directly raises the present issue between Governor General Wood and the Filipinos. When the Wood-Forbes Mission was sent out to investigate Philippine conditions by President Harding the outstanding economic criticism was directed against the dangerous way in which the Filipinos had involved the State in business. It was the far-reaching result of the so-called "Filipinization" of the Government under President Wilson and the Administration of Governor General Harrison.

Working on the proposition that "Government should be the partner of capital," the fields of banking, transportation, and the development of natural resources were entered by what actually were State corporations. In default of large American or foreign investment, from the Filipino viewpoint, it was necessary to embark on Government enterprises. This began with legislation passed in 1916, Act 2596 of the Philippine Legislature, attempting to encourage the establishment of various industries after the Japanese fashion by guaranteeing a 5 per cent. dividend on the stocks of specified types of industry for a period of five years from their organization. provide a satisfactory fiscal agency for the Philippine development contemplated, there was established by Act 2612, approved Feb. 4. 1916, the Philippine National Bank. Thereupon in rapid succession a complete plan of Government-supported enterprises was worked out. To unlock the coal resources of the islands, a national coal company was created under Act 2705, approved March 10, 1917. Along with this, the development of Philippine oil fields by State enterprise was made possible through Act 2814, approved March 4, 1919, setting up the National Petroleum Company. Even more ambitious was the National Development Company, springing into being under Act 2849, approved March 10, 1919. This was particularly planned to aid the Philippines in becoming self-subsisting for, although the islands have nine-tenths of their area uncultivated and might well support three times their present population, they cannot yet raise enough foodstuffs to make themselves independent of rice imported from their more densely populated neighbors. Then the great use of cement in the Philippines made the creation of a National Cement Company a plausible measure, Act 2855, approved March 12, 1919, setting up this Government corporation. All were to be financed through the Philippine Government subscribing at least 51 per cent. of the stock, and represented potential political liabilities. Finally, in the interim, the Manila Railroad Company had been taken over by the Philippine Government from the British interests developing it from back in the eighties under the Spanish régime.

On the crest of first success prior to the post-war deflation, it seemed as though this method of investment were destined to solve the economic side of Philippine development. Indeed American official reports were favorable to the proposition; the 1920 report of the Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs observed that "in addition to what has been done by direct investment, indirectly through the Philippine National Bank, the Government has assisted materially many of the larger investments in the islands, American as well as Filipino." General McIntyre, as a matter of fact, admitted the Government "has not escaped criticism of the more conservative for the extent to which it devoted its funds to these purposes." That this did not choke off private investment because "it should be observed that in no one of these fields is the investment of the Government intended to exclude private investment," and that it was only undertaken "after prolonged efforts to induce the investment of private capital" are important points to bear in mind. The object, this official American testimony stated, was "to show what can be accomplished and to encourage private investments."

Be that as it may, the net effect of the Philippine State activity upon private investment was to increase the antipathy of large-scale

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Brief Appraisals of Important Current Books

Politics and Economics

CURRENT ECONOMIC AFFAIRS. By Walter Renton Ingalls. Philadelphia: G. H. Merlin Company.

Reviewed by EDWARD A. BRADFORD.



R. INGALLS'S first essay remarks upon the change in political economy due to the war. Before the war, it was the "dismal science," which was concerned with "no other subject than wealth." Then it dealt with abstract conceptions, such as money, interest, the derivation of wages, and like topics of conjectural and controversial nature. The war gave a great impetus to the co-operation of statisticians and economists on the basis of fact instead of theory. Under the old

political economy, nations were run like corporations or families which had no cost accounts or balance sheets. The rationale of the new political economy is to supply balance sheets and budgets for nations, on the basis of facts about national income, where it comes from, where it goes to, how it can be increased, who will get the benefit, and so on. In these dozen papers there are assembled facts written without partisanship, but, for that reason, with all the greater bearing on our uppermost political questions.

For example, the essay on the "Distribution of Wealth in the United States" has direct bearing on taxation and shows that our politicians are misinformed. Our Congressmen have the idea that "2 per cent. of the people in this country own 60 per cent. of the wealth," which they borrowed from the report of the Committee on Industrial The idea was first expressed in Dr. King's "Wealth and Income of the People of the United States," and he has since said to Mr. Ingalls that "he is now in doubt as to whether the amount of wealth escaping probate is not so large as to cause a curve showing the distribution of estates probated to give a very erroneous idea concerning the distribution of wealth among decedents," which was the basis of Dr. King's book. Mr. Ingalls then makes his own estimate, derived by inventorying the chief items of wealth, and calculating from the income taxes what proportion was owned by "the rich"—that is, people with incomes of \$3,000 and upward. If it be conceded that the rich 2 per cent. own all the stocks and bonds of industrial corporations, all the rented urban realty, shops, hotels and commercial buildings, their ownership of the national wealth would not be more than 46 per cent. as the maximum of possibility. Capitalizing the rents, interest and dividends disclosed in the returns of 1.7 per cent. of the population, 437,000 income-tax payers owned 63.7 billions of property, or 25 per cent. of the national wealth. He inclines toward the lower estimate and asserts that such concentration of wealth as there is in the United States does not justify attack, as it was mostly earned by industry and accumulated by thrift.

Political economy ceased to be the "dismal science" when sociology pressed the demand for a living wage and the workers' spokesmen asserted that they received a mere dole of a quarter or a third of all they produced. Mr. Ingalls has studied this other extreme of the national income and its disposition with equally unconventional results. He agrees with the National Bureau of Economic Research that 75 per cent. of the national income, other than agricultural, goes to the wage earners. Labor certainly can claim no more than it produces, and labor alone cannot produce more than 75 per cent. of all that is produced. The total of all workers is 41,000,000, including 17,500,000 adult males. It is a large and worthy class, but it is too small to claim more than it is receiving, unless it is to be reproached by those receiving even less. The distressed farmers now have the right to make such a reproach against the unionized town labor, which is extorting more than its due and distressing other workers. The bricklayers, carpenters and plasterers are more responsible for the housing scarcity than the landlords and they distress the poor more than the rich. The linking of the farmers and the unionists is the marriage of a lamb to a wolf and is more unnatural than the alliance of the farmers with Wall Street.

The chapter on the eight-hour and twelve-hour day confronts the argument that shorter hours may produce more with the facts in several nations. The general effect accords with the fact that the shorter day adds 10 per cent. to the cost of the product, as Judge Gary has just announced for our steel industry.

Still another timely chapter is devoted to the farmers' troubles.

Mr. Ingalls finds that the farmers do not understand their own affairs and are worse off, in a different way, than they think they are. Like the railways, their plant deteriorated during the war, while the farmers were spending too much of what they thought was income, but really was capital. The farmers who did not mend their roofs or buy fertilizers, but did buy automobiles, enjoyed their cars at the expense of their capital. If the farmers had received less credit they would not be loaded up with dear land on which the crops cannot be produced competitively in the next few years when the farmers must spend from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000 for renewing their buildings and machinery. His advice to the farmer is bitter, but sound. Dr. King thinks that the conditions of the country denote rather activity than prosperity and doubts that our standard of living has risen on the whole, because it has risen too high for some at the expense of others.

The Budget In Business

OUTLINES OF ECONOMIC HISTORY IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY. By Garrett Droppers, Ph. D. New York: The Ronald Press.

Reviewed by HAROLD P. PRESTON.

In the beginning, American business was like Topsy and "just growed." Then followed the era of specialists, which has continued until the present day. Now, many business men are realizing that too much differentiation of function has certain weaknesses. Some define decadence as a breaking up of a homogenous whole into heterogeneous parts. Roughly, this may be said to apply to business. Too intensive specialization often produces a narrow vision and a consequent lack of co-operation, productive of waste and, in extreme instances, disaster. Keen business men of today are demanding from their associates broader conceptions of business as a whole. The tendency is toward the co-ordination of special activities into a successful ensemble.

There have been many good books of late stressing this fact, not least among them this present book of Mr. McKinsey's. For, if control by the budget system had no other merit, it would, at least, if properly carried out, give all the executives of an industrial organization a picture of their plant and the correct relation of the departments to one another.

Budgetary control, however, has many other distinct merits, unnecessary to specify here, which are familiar to most men in relation to governmental activities, if not to business. As a matter of strict fact, as Mr. McKinsey points out, there is hardly a commercial enterprise that does not employ some sort of an informal budget system of control, although it is not so named or acknowledged to be such.

It would seem that the chief reasons why business men do not adopt the budget system in their own plants is because of lack of knowledge on their part as to how to install the system and also of the true nature and function of budgetary control in industry. Mr. Mc-Kinsey's book solves both of these problems. It is addressed to the general business man rather than to the statistical or financial expert, thus making its information readily available for all executives.

The entire system is thoroughly considered, with chapters on the meaning of budgetary control, the need for it, the preliminary steps in the installation thereof and the organization necessary to obtain the best results. Budgets for every department of industrial activity—sales, purchases, material, advertising, production, labor, plant and equipment, financial, &c.—are fully considered. A practical manual of budgetary procedure is given as a guide for individual manuals. The co-ordination of all items into final reports for executive control is clearly outlined and the complete text of the Budget and Accounting act is contained in one of the appendices. Briefly, every phase of budgetary control for an entire business is thoroughly and clearly presented. The completeness of the work is admirable and the adaptability of the text to special conditions renders it widely useful.

With respect to the quality of clarity, it may be safely said that no person intelligent enough to have a position of any authority could possibly fail to understand every aspect of control by the budget system after a careful study of Mr. McKinsey's work. "Budgetary Control" can be heartly commended for its thoroughness, usefulness and timeliness. Students could not find a better handbook for the study of this field of industrial management, while business men should find it an invaluable aid to the successful conduct of their business.

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BUSINESS OUTLOOK



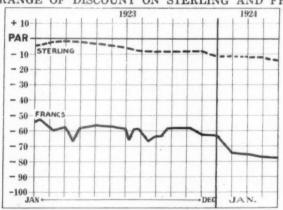
SIDE from some further increase of activity in metals, and minor gains in certain other directions, no decisive change in the business outlook is discernible on the face of last week's record. There is a modest measure of expansion, here and there, but the increase is in every instance on a very modest scale, and is barely as great as the normal post-holiday revival in a merely "normal" year. A variety of cautionary signals are still flying and business navigators

generally seem disposed to steer a safe course until industrial and political weather conditions have become more visibly stable. Perhaps the most notable indication of the prevailing caution and hesitation is the great abundance of bank funds and the low rates of interestsigns equally of idle capital and of the unwillingness of business to take any considerable chances on the future. So far as they go, the latest car-loading figures are measurably reassuring as indicating that the marked slump in traffic at the end of the year was due to holiday interruptions; but those closest to these signs are most wary of making sweeping conclusions from them. The development of the new year's building construction program, not having reached the time for new statistical returns, is mainly a matter of guesswork; its probable contribution to the country's general prosperity has to be rather indirectly inferred from the new orders for structural steel. Of other industrial and trade signs last week's record shows few of much evident consequence. Activity in the New York stock market at the close of the week was cheering, so far as it went, but the rise in various familiar leading stocks bore no indications of being other than a passing spurt of "professional" energy.

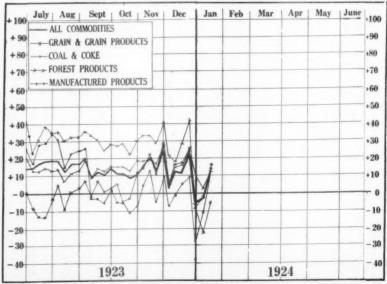
That the present attitude of business is essentially psychologicala state of mind in perhaps more than one sense of that familiar phrase is suggested by the considerably less hopeful outlook on the political and legislative prospects at Washington; even more by the rather marked attention devoted to European affairs, which are being somewhat suddenly regarded as of more immediate consequence to business on this side than had hitherto been supposed.

Success of the warmly welcomed Mellon plan for tax reduction

THE RANGE OF DISCOUNT ON STERLING AND FRANCS.



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Car Loadings by Weeks.

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is obviously considered in business circles rather less sure of realization than business had hoped. Historical demonstration that Presidential years are as likely to be good business years as poor ones has had its brief day of persuasiveness. The business world now thinks it sees tax reform degraded to the status of a trading issue between the politicians in Congress, and it begins to question whether even the authority of President Coolidge and the mandates of common sense together can secure action directed to the real good of the country. Some friends of the Mellon plan fear that "form" letters to Congressmen in support of it may have done as much harm as good. There is as yet no prospect that Congress will do anything definitely and gravely "radical," but business circles realize that the individual members of Congress are getting ready for next November's election and that one accepted form of such preparation is the avoidance of actionwise as well as unwise. Therefore business, with the unfolding record at Washington before it, is inclined to think that this particular Presidential year of 1924 has fairly laid itself open to suspicion. If tax reform is to be haggled and fought over until the elections are out of the way the benefit of it to business is too distant and too uncertain in character to warrant business men in risking much now on its ultimate realization. There is an evident feeling that business is pretty likely to miss, through this political handling of tax reduction, a stimulus which might have been given to it in season to have considerable effect on this year's record.

As an indication of the easy money position, last week's statement of the Federal Reserve system attracted attention by a still further decrease in outstanding note circulation, the week's fall of \$34,500,000 making a total of \$290,000,000 since the end of the year, which contrasts with a reduction of \$242,000,000 in the same period last year. Another point was a reserve ratio of 80.4 per cent., this being, with the ratio for the week ended Aug. 9, 1921, the highest since the United States declared war on Germany.

Adverse criticism of the changed form of the Reserve statement, in which "gold held exclusively against Federal Reserve notes" is somewhat more than 100 per cent. of the total of notes outstanding, has been rather pointed, mainly on the ground that without warrant of law the Reserve Board, if it holds in action to the distinction it now makes in the weekly statement, has cut off from business a credit

MONEY

	Call Loans.	Time Loans 60-90 Days.	6 Months.	Com. Dis. 4-6 Months.
Last week	4	43/4 @ 41/2	43/4 @41/2	5 @434
	5 @4	43/4	43/4	5 @434
	5 ³ / ₄ @3 ³ / ₄	5 @ 41/2	5 @41/2	5 @434
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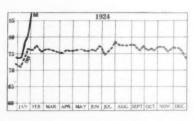
Entire country, estimated from complete returns from cities representing 92.3 per cent. of the total. Percentages show changes from preceding years:

	1924.	P.C.	1923.	P. C.
Last week	\$7,452,881,900	- 0.8	\$7,515,000,000	+20.8
Previous week			8,422,000,000	+16.2
Year to date			32,793,000,000	+15.9

BAR GOLD AND SILVER.

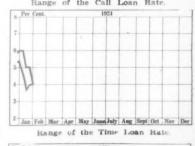
	Bar Gold in London.	Bar Silver in London.	Bar Silver
Last week	97s 05d@ 96s 09d	33 % d@33 ½ d 33 å d @33 å d	63 ½ c@63c 63 ¼ c@62 ¾ e
Year to date	89s 10d@ 89s 03d	34 hd @32 lkd 32 lkd @32d 35d @34 % d	64% c@62% c 67% c@66c 65% s@64% e

Potential Supply of Money



The Dotted line is 1923.

Ratio of total reserves of the Federal erve system to deposits and Federal Re-ote liabilities combined.



reserve exceeding \$3,000,000,000, to which business should have access if it wants it. Also, say the critics, the board's extra-legal segregation of a 100 per cent. reserve for the notes involves the statement in

patent absurdities, especially as to the reserve ratio.

Last week's statement, for example, says: "Ratio of total reserves to deposit and Federal Reserve note liabilities combined, 80.4 per cent.' But if the gold reserve against notes is solely against notes, the \$2,156,-109,000 so earmarked cannot be a reserve against deposits; and the actual gold reserve against total deposits of \$2,018,296,000 is only \$995,553,000, which gives a ratio of reserves to deposits of just under 49 per cent. instead of the 80.4 per cent. which results from calculating the ratio against both notes and deposits as required by the June 21, 1917, amendment to the Federal Reserve act. Moreover, it is asserted, if the outstanding Reserve notes are backed by 100 per cent. of gold, they cannot properly be counted a "liability," and the total of notes ought not to appear under that heading.

What is accounted noteworthy by less "temperamental" observers is the apparent judgment of the Reserve Board that the excessive size of the country's stock of gold (and possibly, also, the extent to which this stock is actually serving as a reserve for various European banks of issue) makes necessary some fairly drastic countermove to the inflationist tendency which has been the most feared effect of our excess of gold. With bank credit already greater in volume than in 1920, it has seemed clear to many observers that no substantial increase under present conditions could be sound; and that, therefore, recourse to the Reserve Banks for additional expansion ought to be restricted if possible. The weighty banking opinion which for a long time has desired a segregation of our excess gold is pretty well aware of the technical inconsistencies involved in the new form of Reserve statement: likewise of the fact that the Reserve Board is doing something not commanded by the Reserve act, and probably not within the contemplation of its framers. From their side the technical cutting off of three billions of further, and just now unrequired, credit is a desirable safeguard against credit inflation and a check to the logical results of a perhaps impending price inflation. Objections to the new course they will incline to attribute to a desire for just that inflation which the country ought to avoid at all costs. Incidentally, it is pointed out that the Reserve act is perhaps defective in not providing explicitly some way of accomplishing the results the board now aims at. It is considered unlikely that the Reserve Board could lawfully refuse added credits which would cut into the segregated gold; but the deterrent influence of its present attitude is admittedly strong and would under most circumstances prove controlling on member banks.

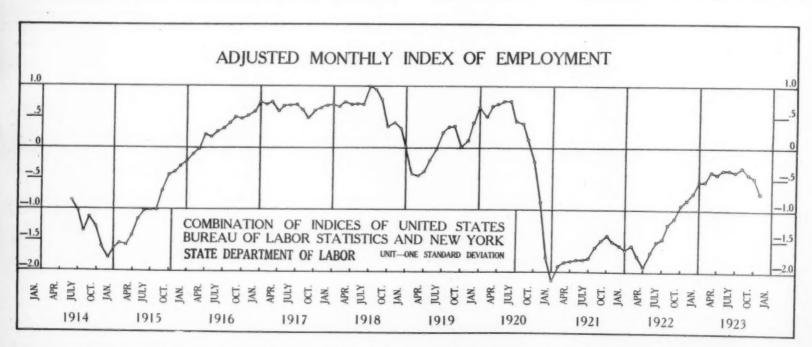
Possibly the most interesting indication of the immediate course of business, though it is admittedly inconclusive, was the rise in car loadings for the week ended Jan. 12, for the rise over the preceding week was so marked-169,000 cars-as to tempt the belief that business was rapidly returning to the large volume of last year. Except for 1923, the total of 872,265 cars was the record for that week and was only 600 cars below the 1923 figure. Loadings of forest products jumped from 2 per cent. below normal, the preceding week, to 16 per cent. above; manufactured goods jumped from 4 per cent. above to 14 per cent.; while coal and coke made a still greater spread, from 10.9 below to 13.9 above normal. Grain and grain products rose markedly,

but were still below the normal.

It is not considered safe to assume that these rising figures repre-

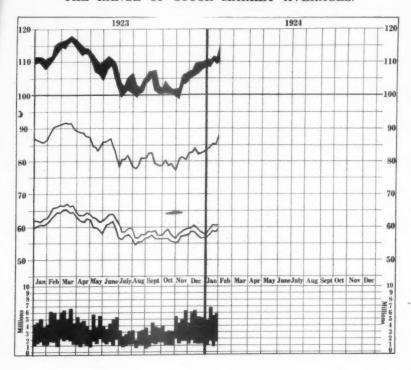
sent permanent currents, and therefore the future course of business. The rise in coal and coke was probably due in large part to the stimulus of the cold weather which overspread the country. The rise in the other classes may represent more the clearing up of accumulations due to the low loadings of preceding weeks than actually new business. Nothing to be accounted evidence of the new season's trend is expected until some weeks from now. Accumulations must be cleared away, and even after that the interference of possible cold weather may have to be allowed for. The best that can be said for the freight loadings at the moment is that they show nothing wrong. Another railroad point deserving mention, however, is that the beginning of the year finds the roads with 5,000 locomotives and 290,000 freight cars stored in serviceable condition awaiting demand, and that units awaiting or under repairs are less than last year by 498 locomotives and 57,836 freight

Commodity.	Unit.	Last Week.	Previous Week.	Week Ende Jan. 27, 102
Adirondack spruce, 2x4			\$45.00	\$38.50
Antimony (Asiatic), N.	YLb.	.101/2	.10	.0685
Barley Cast iron, Chicago	Bu.	20.50	.64	21.50
Cast iron, Chicago	Ton	8.00@	20.50 8.00@	7.35@
Coal, an., stove, CoT	on (gross)	9.25	9.25	8.35
Coal, bit., f.o.b. mine, I		1.85@	1.85@	3.60
8			1.90	0.00
Coke, furn. spot		1	4.00	8.00
Copper, electro			.121/2	.141/2
Cotton-seed oil		/	.095.8	.10
Eggs, fresh firets			.39	.381/2
Gasoline, bbl	Gal.	.1713	.171/2	.22
Hay, No. 1	Ton		30.00	23.00
Hides, nat. strs	Lb.	.131/2	.131/2	.191/2
ron, basic pig. E. Pa	Ton	22.75	23 25	28.50
ron, Bess., Pitts	Ton	24.76	24.76	29.27
ead, N. Y	Lb.	.08	.079	.081/4
eather, Union		.36	.39	.48
emons, Cal		4.00	4.00	7.50
inseed oil		.92	.92	.90
Penn. hem., base price.		40.00	40.00	40.00
Petrol, crude	Bbl.	3.50	3.25	3.45
Petroleum, refined, tank Potatoes, N. Y.	KSGal.	.15 4.35	15 4.50	3.25
rintcloths, 39-in., 68-72s	DDI.	Spot 11a	4.50 Spt.12½@.12	0
rintcloths, 38½-in. 64-6		Contract 12		.103/4 @ .11
Subber, Pl. 1st Latex cr.		Spot .10 Contract .10%	.102 (20.10	.361/2
ilk, Sinshiu, No. 1		$\frac{.251_{2}}{7.60}$	7.80	8.25
pelter, St. Louis		.0645	.0645	.0675
in	Lb.	.501/4	.483/4	.40
inplate	100 lbs.	5.50	5.50	4.75
Vool, O. fine unwashed Boston	d delaine,	.56	.56	.58
Vool, O. half-blood unwas	shed comb	.00	.00	.00
Boston	Lb.	.56	.55	.57
ellow pine timbers,		.00	.00	
12x12	1.000 ft.	56.00	56.00	58.00



The Annalist's Employment Curve, above, shows the deviation from normal of the actual volume of employment throughout the country at the end of each month. The curve is constructed in accordance with the methods and principles devised by Projessor William A. Berridge of Brown University and published in the report of the President's Conference on Unemployment in 1921.

THE RANGE OF STOCK MARKET AVERAGES.



In the upper portion the black line shows the closing average price of fifty stocks, half industrial and half railroads. The black area shows for each week the highert and lowest daily average price of the twenty-five industrials, and the white area the corresponding figures for twenty-five rails. In the lower portion the height of the black area shows total weekly volume of sales, and the height of the white area beneath it the weekly volume of the fifty stocks used in the preparation of this chart.

Shares Sold on New York Stock Exchange

Week Ended Jan. 26, 1924.

	1924	1923	1922
Monday	906,920	601,300	602,425
Tuesday	966.150	616,647	501,984
Wednesday	934,477	737,270	692,787
Thursday	1.110.575	665,723	788,164
Friday	1,288,512	703,452	524,650
Saturday	782,730	342,600	245,714
Total for week	5,989,364	3,666,992	3,355,724
Year to date	21,743,254	17,935,559	14,539,737

TWENTY-FIVE	RAILROADS.
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	High	Low	Last	Change	Same Dav Last Year
Jan.	2160.07	59.62	59.86	09	61.08
Jan.	2260.00	59.67	59.84	02	61.60
Jan.	2360.10	59.64	59.86	+ .02	61.92
Jan.	2460.12	59.77	59.92	+ .06	62.29
Jan.	2560.63	59.83	60.50	+ .58	62.25
Jan.	2660.85	60.37	60.60	+ .10	62.27

TWENTY-FIVE INDUSTRIALS.

Jan.	21111.45	Low 109.85	Last 111.03	Net Change + .70	Last Year 109.39
	22111.87	110.73	111.11	+ .08	109.67
	23112.26	110.99	111.66	+ .55	109.21
Jan.	24113.33	111.64	112.54	+ .88	110.25
	25114.29	112.37	114.00	+1.46	110.62
	96 115.95	113.85	114 20	1 30	110.55

COMBINED AVERAGE—50 STOCKS

Jan.	21	84.73 85.20 85.31	85.44 85.47 85.76	Change + .30 + .03 + .29	Last Year 85.23 85.63 85.56
Jan. Jan.	24 86.72 25 87.46 26 88.05	85.70 86.10 87.11	86.23 87.25 87.49	$^{+}$.47 $^{+}$ 1.02 $^{+}$.24	86.27 86.43 86.41

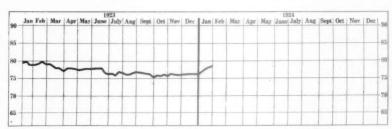
YEARLY HIGHS AND LOWS.

	High	Low.	High	Low
*1924	88.05 Jan.	83.28 Jan.	1918 80.16 Nov.	64.12 Jan.
1923	92.52 Mar.	77.15 Oct.	1917 90.46 Jan.	57.47 Dec.
	93.06 Oct.	66.21 Jan.	1916101.51 Nov.	80.91 Apr.
1921	73.13 May	58.35 June	1915 94.13 Oct.	58.90 Feb.
1920	94.07 Apr.	62.70 Dec.	1914 73.30 Jan.	57.47 Dec.
1919	99.59 Nov.	69.73 Jan.	1913 79.25 Jan.	68.00 June
*To da	ite.			

cars. The railroads seem to be prepared to carry all the traffic the country offers.

Expansion in steel production has progressed so far that incoming orders on the whole exceed shipments. Many deliveries cannot be had in less than four to six weeks, and the general prospect is held to insure large scale operations well into the second quarter of the year. The Steel Corporation is operating at fully 80 per cent. of capacity and the independents at around 70 per cent. Particularly significant is considered the increasing demand for steel bars, since it is in the form of bars that steel is used by the widest range of manufacturing industries. An especially cheering point in this connection is the considerably increased buying of bars by makers of farm implements, which exceeds that for many months past. Railroad buying seems directed more to rails and bridge materials than last year. Few railroad interests expect this year's traffic to be so large as that of 1923; and since that record tonnage was handled with practically no delay the incentive to increasing rolling stock this year will be considerably less. One of the important developments of last year was the more

THE TREND OF BOND PRICES.



Average of Forty Issues.

Par Value Sold on New York Stock Exchange

Week Ended Jan. 26, 1924.

Monday	1924 \$11,767,800	1923 \$10.370,450	1922 \$13,605,200
Tuesday	13,109,500	11,273,000	13,950,450
Wednesday	13,661,350	11,560,550	15,001,950
Thursday	14,116,400	10,886,500	18,626,250
Friday	15,326,250	10,337,000	18,662,250
Saturday	8,721,250	5,159,300	8,941,000
Total for the week	\$76,702,550	\$59,586,800	\$88,787,100
Year to date	287,679,125	250,926,450	389,216,000

In detail the bond dealings compare as follows with the corresponding week

last year:					
	Jan.	26, 1924.	Jan. 27, 1923.		Changes.
Corporations	\$50	,740,100	\$37,337,500	+8	13,402,600
United States Government	nts 18	,757,450	12,020,300	+	6,737,150
Foreign	7	,180,000	10,151,000		2,971,000
State			5,000	-	5,000
City		25,000	73,000	-	48,000
Total all	\$76,	702,550	\$59,586,850		17,115,750
		Same Week	Year	-	me Period
	Last Week.	Last Year.	to Date.	L	ast Year.
Average net yield of 10 high-priced bonds		4.587%	4.662%		4.592%
			\$309,162,500	00	52,220,000
New security issues	\$62,452,500	\$82,923,000	\$309,102,500	\$ 0	52,220,000
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AVERAGE 40 BONDS.

	Close	Change			Close		Day 1928
Jan.	2178.19	02	58.56		2478.35		
	2278.18			Jan.	2578.41	+ .06	78.43
	2378.33			Jan.	2678.56	+ .15	78.43

YEARLY HIGHS AND LOWS.

	High	Low		High	Low
*1924	78.56 Jan.	76.95 Jan.	1918	82.36 Nov.	75.65 Sep.
1923	79.43 Jan.	75.58 Sep.	1917	89.47 Jan.	74.24 Dec.
1922	82.54 Aug.	75.01 Jan.	1916	89.18 Nov.	86.19 Apr.
1921	76.31 Nov.	67.56 June	1915	87.62 Nov.	81.52 Jan.
1920	73.14 Oct.	65.57 May	1914	89.42 Feb.	81.42 Dec.
1919	79.05 June	71.05 Dec.	1913	92.81 Jan.	85.45 Dec.
*To de	te				

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

	Last Week.	Previous Week.	Year to Date. Se	ame Week 1928,
British Cons. 2½s British 5% British 4½s French rentes (in Paris) French W. L. (in Paris)	100 @ 98% 96% 54.25@ 53.70	99¼@ 98% 96¼@ 96 54.95@ 52.35	100%@ 98% 96%@ 96 55.10@ 52.35	101 % @ 100 % 96 @ 95 % 59.80@ 58.60

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC EXCHANGE RATES

New York funds in Montreal were quoted at \$28.75@\$25.00 premium. Montreal funds in New York were quoted at \$24.39@\$27.95 discount. week's range of exchange on the principal foreign centres last week compared as follows:

		Last V	Vool	Prev.	Week		r 1924.	Same V	Wk. 1923.	Last V	Veek.	Prev.	Week	Vea.	1924.	Same V	Wk. 195
Norm	al Exchange.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Lo
	London	4.23%	4.201/2	4.26%	4.221/4	4.31%	4.201/2	4.66%	4.63%	4.23 %	4.20%	4.26%	4.221/4	4.31%	4.20%	4.66%	
9.28	-Paris		4.38	4.72 %	4.27	5.04 1/4	4.27	6.53 1/8	6.281/4	4.58	4.381/4	4.73	4.27%	5.05	4.271/4	6.54	6.2
9.28	-Belgium		4.03 1/4	4.261/4	4.05	4.4734	4.03 1/4	5.901/2	5.67	4.131/4	4.04	4.27	4.051/2	4.48	4.04	5.91	5.6
.28	-Switzerland1'		17.22	17.30	17.26	17.44	17.22	18.66	18.62	17.27	17.24	17.32	17.28	17.46	17.24	18.68	18.6
0.28	-Italy		4.3214	4.48%	4.35 1/4	4.48%	4.2614	5.40	4.70	4.361/2	4.33	4.4914	4.36	4.49 1/4	4.26%	5.401/2	4.5
.29	-Holland3		36.91	37.40	36.82 *	37.84	36.82	39.55	39.43	37.14	36.95	37.44	36.86	37.88	36.86	39.60	39.
	-Greece		1.97	2.10	2.02	2.13	1.96	1.32	1.28	2.01	1.97	2.10	2.02	2.16	1.99	1.35	1.3
	-Spain		12.63	12.85	12.68	12.85	12.63	15.82	15.59	12.75	12.65	12.87	12.70	12.87	12.65	15.84	15.
	—Denmark10		16.16	17.42	16.68	17.70	16.16	19.61	18.68	16.37	16.18	17.44	16.70	17.72	16.18	19.63	18.
		6.00	25.82	26.25	26.04	26.44	25.82	26.90	26.68	26.03	25.85	26.28	26.07	26.46	25.85	26.92	26.
	-Norway18		13.63	14.22	14.08	14.45	13.63	18.75	18.52	13.99	13.65	14.24	14.10	14.47	13.65	18.77	18.
	-Russia*	.02%	.021/4	.02 %	.02 1/4	.12	.07	.02 1/2	.02 1/8	.09	.07	.09	.07	.12	.07	.121/2	
.66	-Bombay36		30.13	30.46	30.18	30.75	30.13	33.25	32.38	30.40	30.25	30.58	30.30	30.87	30.25	33.375	32.
	-Calcutta30		30.13	30.46	30.18	30.75	30.13	33.25	32.38	30.40	30.25	30.58	30.30	30.87	30.25	33.375	32.
	-Hongkong50	.375	50.00	50.50	50.25	51.00	50.00	54.13	53.63	50.50	50.125	50.62	50.37	51.12	50.12	54.25	53.
	-Peking75		74.00	74.50	74.00	76.00	74.00	77.75	77.00	75.12	74.12	74.62	74.12	76.12	74.12	77.875	77.
	-Shanghai70		70.13	70.13	69.88	71.63	69.88	73.13	72.62	70.75	70.25	70.25	70.00	71.75	70.00	73.25	72.
	-Kobe 45		44.63	46.13	43.28	46.13	43.28	48.65	48.38	45.50	44.75	46.25	43.40	46.25	43.40	48.77	48.
	-Yokohama45		44.63	46.13	43.28	46.13	43.28	48.65	48.38	45.50	44.75	46.25	43.40	46.25	43.40	48.77	48.
	-Manila50		50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.375	50.375	50.12	50.12	50.12	50.12	50.12	50.12	50.625	50.0
	-Buenos Aires32	.625	32.50	33.00	32.50	33.00	31.75	37.30	37.10	32.75	32.62	33.10	32.60	33.10	31.85	37.35	37.
		.10	10.75	11.00	10.50	11.50	9.80	11.60	11.45	11.20	10.85	11.00	10.50	11.55	9.85	11.65	11.
		4,348	4,348	4,348	4,348	4,348	4,348	.0052	.0035	4,348	4,348	4,348	4,348	4,348	4,348	.0052	.(
46 -	-Austria	.0014 %	.00144	.00144		.0014 1/4		.0014 1/2		.00143/	.0014	.0014		.0014 1/4		.00141	
83 -		.000012	2 .00001	0 .00001	4 .00001	2 .000018			.0034	.00001	2 .00001	0 .00001	4 .00001				.0
		.90%	2.89 1/2	2.9114	2.91	2.91 1/2	2.89 1/2	2.89	2.78	2.90%	2.89 1/2	2.91 1/2	2.91	2.91 1/4	2.89 1/2	2.89	2.7
30 -	-Yugoslavia 1.	1514	1.14%	1.16	1.13 %	1.16	1.12 1/4	1.00	.75	1.1514	1.14%	1.16	1.13 14	1.16	1.12 1/4	1.00	.7
30 -		.51	2.50	2.51 1/2	2.51	2.52	2.471/2	2.50	2.49	2.51	2.50	2.51 1/2	2.51	2.52	2.471/2	2.50	2.4
30 –	-Rumania	.50 1/4	.50	.501/2	.50	.52	.50	.51	.45	.501/4	.50	.501/2	.50	.52	.50	.51	.4
31 -		0036	.0035	.0039	.0035	.0052	.0035	.034#	.03 %	.0036	.0035	.0039	.0035	.0052	.0035	.031#	.0

†Value of \$1 in millions of marks

efficient use of freight cars through the lessening of shipping and unloading delays; the results obtained went far to substantiate the contention of some executives that the roads have equipment enough if what they have is effectively used. That effective use depends more largely than is commonly realized upon shippers and receivers.

Improving demand for copper, with an advance of about onefourth of a cent in the delivered price, is an indication of expanding activity in line with the increased demand for steel. Domestic consumption so far sets the market, but it is reported that the demand from Germany, which has always been a large consumer of American copper, is now reviving. Apparently German buyers hope to gain something in the way of price concessions from the competition which they look for as a result of the break in the Copper Export Association.

Outside of the metals last week's indications from trade and industry generally show a few points of greater activity or firmer prices, most notably in coal, petroleum, hardware and lumber; but the pre-vailing tendency is the familiar cautious hand-to-mouth habit of many months past. The cotton situation continues contradictory, with prices for finished goods tending to yield, while the mills are holding back in large part until the raw cotton price is more stable and the question of what consumers will bear in the way of price can be more clearly ascertained. Cotton ginnings have exceeded expectations, and this result tends to lower the raw price. Yet the general demand for dry goods is considered disappointing. Woolens have profited temporarily by the colder weather, but the price of raw wool has gone still higher during the week, and the price problem once before referred to in this article is visibly coming nearer.

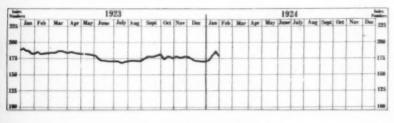
Wholesale commodity prices show some shiftings, Dun's reporting

forty-three advances against forty-two declines, but aside from greater strength in the grains, especially in corn, the changes do not appear to be clearly significant of any trend that can be followed into the future. There is as yet no sufficiently strong movement in any one direction to develop a dislocation of the price structure, and the movement of trade and industry as a whole is too uncertain to change appreciably the general level.

The greater attention given to conditions in Europe is partly the result of recent fluctuations in the exchanges and partly to the rather dramatic events in England and France, together with the activity of the two committees dealing with German finance. The year's figures showing our greatly diminished exports of all grains, and especially of wheat, together with the rather narrow margin, due to high-priced raw cotton, by which our year's total exports exceeded imports, and the continuing inflow of gold, forced to the front considerations of international dependence which have hitherto been rather ostentatiously pushed into the background. The change in the form of the Federal Reserve statement tended to turn attention in the same direction by its tendency to bar business in this country from credit use of the incoming gold.

The policy of the new Labor Government of England in giving full recognition to Soviet Russia may produce some reactions here. England itself seems to be reconciled to the experiment of Labor control, but this content would vanish with any attempt to carry into effect the larger ideas for which the new Premier stands. There are possibilities of disturbance, also, in his foreign policy if that develops as much opposition to France as seems to be expected. What perhaps is most worth attention is the inherent contradiction between the

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-Averages 1890-99=100 Per Cent.)

WEEKLY AVERAGES.

Jan. 26, 1924 179.329	Jan. 27, 1923182.969
Jan. 19, 1924 177.175	Jan 28, 1922166.325
Yearly A	Averages
*1924176.568	1919295.607
!923	1918287.080
922186.290	1917
921174.308	1913
1920282.757	1896 80.096
*Year to date.	

TTEMS COMPOSING THE INDEX

ITEMS COM	PUSING	THE I	NDEX.		
Last Week.	Previous - Week.	Range for High.	1924 Low.	-Same 1923.	Week
Hogs, medium to heavy \$7.11 %	\$7.20	\$7.20	\$6.375	\$8.15	\$8.325
Steers, good to choice10.05	9.925	10.05	9.70	9.70	7,875
Beef, salt, per 200 lbs16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.75	14.00
Pork, salt, per 200 lbs24.75		24.75	24.75	25.25	22.75
Flour, Spring patents 7.525	7.50	7.525	7.45	8.25	8.425
Flour, Winter straights 5.90	5.90	5.95	5.85	6.921/4	6.375
Lard, Middle West, lb 1270	.1305	.13275	.1270	.1210	.1030
Bacon, clear sides	.10875	.10875	.10375	.13125	
Oats, No. 2 and No. 334775	.474375	.474375	.34775	.4375	.361875
Potatoes, white, per bu87	.825	.93	.765	.5550	1.18%
Mutton, dressed, per lb 1450	.1450	.1450	.1050	.1150	.12
Sheep, wethers, 100 lbs 8.75	8.675	8.75	8.175	8.125	7.625
Sugar, per lb	.0825	.0880	.0825	.0675	.0505
Codfish, Georges, per lb0925	.0925	.0925	.0925	.0875	.0925
Rye flour 4.275	4.25	4.275	4.1375	5.2875	5.4875
Corn meal, per 100 lbs 2.30	2.275	2.30	2.175	2.05	1.55
Rice, extra fancy, per lb0775	.0775	.0775	.0775	.07375	.07
Beans, medium, per bu 3.42	3.48	3.48	3.375	4.95	3.00
Apples, extra, per lb1525	.1275	.1525	.1275	.11375	.1725
Prunes, 67-70s, per lb	.0675	.0725	.0675	.1075	.0975
Butter, creamery, lb	.52875	.5475	.5100	.5075	.3775
Butter, dairy, per lb5050	.5225	.5375	.5050	.4975	.3650
Cheese, State, whole milk,					
per lb2475	.2475	.2475	.2325	.2800	.2150
Coffee, Rio No. 71075	.108125	.108125	.1075	.1200	.09

claims of British labor to the loyalty of its party representatives and the obligation of those representatives to govern for the welfare of the whole country. The situation provides a striking contrast with the tendency of labor development in this country to enter on an in-

creasingly large scale the field of capital.

Whatever the cause the energetic action of the committee headed by General Dawes appears to be leading toward results. Whether the gold bank for Germany, under international control, can actually be launched remains to be seen; but the drive in that direction appears strong and likely soon to furnish Paris with the need of taking a possibly far-reaching decision. The about-face in French financial policy, if the Deputies approve Poincaré's proposals, may not impossibly lead to a considerable change on the reparations issue. caré remains apparently adamant in his insistence on 132,000,000,000 gold marks from Germany. But his action in admitting that practical safety requires French taxpayers to meet the interest charges of reconstruction may not impossibly be extended to a reduction of reparations when the two committees make it plain, as is not unlikely, that the sum demanded of Germany cannot be paid within the near future at all events.

THE WEEK'S PRICE RANGE OF COTTON.

	High	Low	Closing	Net Change
January	33.93	32.42	33.10	+.26
March	34.15	32.60	33.21	+.06
May	34.40	32.81	33.47	+.10
July	33.27	31.80	32.22	+.16
October	28.44	27.73	27.85	15
December	28.00	27.40	27.50	03

THE WEEK'S PRICE RANGE OF GRAIN.

	WH	EAT	CC	DRN	OATS		
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	
May July Sept	$\begin{array}{c} 1.093_4 \\ 1.077_8 \\ 1.067_8 \end{array}$	$1.07\frac{7}{8}$ $1.06\frac{3}{8}$ $1.05\frac{1}{2}$.807/8 .811/8 .82	.78½ .78½ .79½	.49 .46½ .44½	.46 .447/3	

the Philippine Question Business Background of

bringing down in the collapse of the after-the-war boom rampant speculation in every part of the world. The State enterprises in the Philippines felt disastrously the effects of falling markets and financial strain. Prior to the commencement of deflation, the weakness of these State corporations was clearly admitted in our War Department reports. The establishment of the enterprises had been a problem, for "the additional burden imposed on the executive officers of the Philippine Government by these corporate undertakings is very considerable, and this has been materially increased by the fact that trained personnel is not at hand, and can be obtained, if at all, with greatest difficulty."

These are the enterprises that had to face the most trying economic conditions confronting business in our generation. The very Filipinization of the Manila Government made the situation more critical. Naturally, these Government enterprises, from the Philippine National Bank down, have been the victims of political influences. Under such circumstances, the economic house of cards erected by politics rather than by sound business considerations came down about the ears of the 11,000,000 Filipinos without solving the need of the Philippines for large amounts of capital. Little wonder that Governor-General Wood, inheriting the complications of the Filipino attempt at State socialism in developing a weakly organized tropical economy, turned resolutely, with the approval of Washington, toward getting the Philippine Government out of business.

This, it must be repeated, is of prime importance in any understanding of the present situation across the Pacific. The very political opposition any such move naturally would engender among the Filipino leaders-caught in their own handiwork-now becomes one of the powerful reasons obstructing the flow of private capital into the Philippines. The determination of Governor-General Wood to liquidate wholly the Government committments in industry, trade, transportation, and finance at any cost is met by the firm efforts of the Filipino leaders to save what they can by long extended salvage operations.

Therefore this throws the question of Philippine development largely back on private enterprise, be it Filipino, American or of enterprise to insular conditions. Then came the crash of 1921-22, foreign character. The relative importance of foreign capital that has

been invested in the Philippines is shown by the table at the bottom of this page.

From the standpoint of capital engaged in Philippine business, the position of the British is worthy of emphasis. They have put almost double the amount of money into the islands that the United States has invested, although Americans lead in the number of firms engaged in business. After all, sovereignty is not the only consideration in the export of capital.

Looking at the matter from the standpoint of the future, the Philippine outlook from an investment angle is not satisfactory. This is because the essential co-operation between the Filipino and American interests is being destroyed by the politics of the situation. For example, the exploitation of the petroleum resources of the Philippines, believed to be an extension of the Borneo fields, has been held back by the legislative policy of the Filipinos. This has tended to check exploration by private enterprise to "prove" the possible oil fields. Then again the agrarian situation strikes at the development of the wasted agricultural lands of the islands by reason of the restrictions on the plantation economy, and opposition to any form of contract The limitation of holdings to 2,500 acres here prevents the exploitation of economical units in sugar, cocoanuts, and especially rubber; while the shortage of labor in the Philippines makes the large landed interests and the foreign investor desirous of securing labor from without, preferably indentured Chinese coolie man-power.

All in all, the Philippine situation has a direct bearing on investment. This in turn delays the development of the islands on economic lines supporting the possibility of independence with adequate material resources behind it. Hence the pro and con of the independence question reduces itself in the end to the investment policies of the Philippine Government; for here on the one hand lie the possibilities of stronger development in the islands, while on the other, there is the problem of reconciling the way in which this development is to take place with Filipino aspirations. More especially it comes down to finding a middle ground by which capital going into the Philippines will have favorable conditions, yet the growth of such investment will not militate against the ultimate independence to which the United States stands pledged in our dealings with the Filipinos.

Foreign Corporations Capitalized in Their Home Countries, Registered and Doing Active Business in the Philippines

	Monetary	Co	mmerce-	—Ir	ndustry	Ma	nufacturing.	Misc	ellaneous.	_	-Total	Equivalent,
Nationality.	Unit.	No.	Cap.*	No.	Čap.*	No.	Cap.*	No.	Cap.*	No.	Cap.*	Phil. Curr.
Australia	Pound	. 5	5.5	5	.417	1	.15			11	6.117	59.536
Austria		46	18.9							1	18.900	7.658
Belgium	Franc	. 2	2.6					1	3.00	3	5.600	2.161
	Dollar	. 5	28.598						* *	5	28.598	57.196
	Franc	. 6	100.00			1	2.40			7	102.400	39.526
Germany	Mark	.26	366.25							26	366.250	174.486
England	Pound	.71	98.721			5	.795			78	99.570	968.607
Hongkong	Dollar		29.139			1	.16			24	29,380	45.844
	Rupee		2.3	1.	.001					2	6.500	2.509
Italy	Lire	. 1	1.0						F 4	1	1.000	0.400
Japan	Yen	.11	131.5					* *		11	131.500	131.105
Java	Guilder	. 1	2.0					* *		1	2.000	1.608
Netherlands	Guilder	. 8	29.75						* *	8	29.750	23.991
Spain	Peseta	.53	26.92			1	25.0	2	.43	56	52.788	20.376
Straits Settlement	Dollar	. 3	2.78						* *	3	2.780	5.570
Switzerland	Franc	. 7	68.00					0 6	4.4	7	68.000	26.359
United States, America	ca. Dollar	.55	122.554	15	10.575	24	143.381	0 0		101	276.511	553.022
	of their currency. Statistic		letin, Bureau	of Cor	nmerce and	Indust	ry, Pp. 682-6	83, Ma	nila, Bure	au of	Printing, 192	1.

Review of Foreign Opinions

Foreign Control of Germany's Money System British Labor Party's Finances --- Great Britain in 1923



N its issue of Dec. 22 the Central European Observer (Prague) discusses the rentenmark in Germany with its usual breezy comment. It is the habit in Germany, states the Czech organ, to seize upon only one at a time of the many cares of the country and to take it up quite suddenly as if it had never existed before. For a time the discussion of the financial difficulties of the Reich had completely dropped, to be discovered

once more simultaneously by everybody upor declaration from the Wuertemberg Minister of Finance that the tion was almost hopeless. The credit which the rentenbank was grant the Reich and which was to last for a considerable period of reform was more than half exhausted within the first fortnight.

The Observer remarks that a large and varied assortment of reasons have been produced to account for the desolate financial condition of the Reich. There is, however, one important circumstance which strikes at the very root of the Renten currency and which, claims the Prague journal, has never been pointed out. Official logic in this connection is somewhat peculiar; as the Reich cannot provide a remedy from its own resources, a foreign loan must be secured. The Observer wonders whether the condition of Germany would make such a loan

a profitable investment. It makes the following statement:

It begins to be seen that, in view of the country's own impotence, a foreign finance control must be put up with, and the declarations of the last few days were made with the idea of preparing the public for such a state of affairs.

Foreign control of German finances, declares the Observer, is absolutely essential, and comments on the farcical attitude assumed toward the new taxation enactments, which were issued in virtue of the Enabling act. These were heralded by mysterious allusions to the necessary brutality of the authorities. At last the capital levy was to come into being. Actually, this dreaded levy ranges from 4 to 7 per 1,000. Thus, comments the Observer, any one who, starting with nothing, has utilized the revolution, peace and inflation periods to raise a capital of a million gold marks is now brutally attacked and has to pay 7,000 marks, which only leaves him with 993,000 marks. Fortunately, the 7,000 may be paid in instalments.

The postponement of the issue of renten bonds also calls forth some acid remarks on the part of the Prague paper. This postponement was said by the bank to be on account of the fact that the issue was not necessary and would burden the bank with an uncalled-for interest of 5 per cent. The renten bond in question forms the only backing that exists for the rentenmark, which acquires its value from the fact that it is exchangeable for renten bonds at par. The backing for the renten bond is a 4 per cent. charge upon real estate.

The reason for the delay in the issue of the renten bond is to be found, says the Observer, in the issue of the so-called gold bonds, repayable in gold and equally as well secured as the rentenmark. These were placed on the market by the mortgage banks. They are superior to the rentenbrief in that their interest coupons are made out according to the London coupon for fine gold, so that the coupon of the gold bond can never be worth less, and mostly will be worth more, than that of the rentenmark. At the time of writing, the coupon of the halfyear 5 per cent. gold bond of the Prussian Central Boden Credit is worth 2.65 marks, whereas the coupon of the renten bond is worth only 2.50 marks. The Prague paper comments on this as follows:

And these gold bonds are quoted on the Berlin Boerse at half their nominal value. The renten bond is certainly not worth more, and so it follows that the backing of the rentenmark is only half what it nominal value. should be.

The subsistence minimum of a Berlin family is estimated by Dr. Kuczynski, the Berlin statistician, in a recent number of the Bulletin of Financial Politics. According to this expert the cost of living, on a minimum subsistence basis, in Greater Berlin, was 150 times higher in last November than in October, about 45,000 times as high as in September, almost 1,200,000 times as high as in August, 1,200,000,000 times as high as in November, 1922, and 40,000,000,000 times as high as in November, 1921.

The following shows the minimum wage per day absolutely necessary to support life in November, 1923:

Single man .. 1,675,000,000 marks Childless married couple..... Married couple with two chil-2,571,000,000 dren between six and ten years of age.....

3,346,000,000 The Labor Party's financial situation is discussed by The Manchester Guardian Weekly (Jan. 4, 1924). In the opinion of this Liberal organ, a three-party system, with a narrow balance of parties and frequent elections, would not be so disastrous to the Labor Party as is generally imagined. It is pointed out that the last election, which was bitterly fought and was on a wider electorate than any since the war, appears to have cost less than either of its predecessors. In some cases, Labor gained a striking success with little expenditure of money. A Lancashire constituency is cited where a Labor man won in a straight fight by 5,000 votes, having an allowable expenditure of £1,100, of which he only utilized £520.

Certain Labor experts claim that the more frequent general elecons are, the less will be the cost of each. A general election every year, state this group, could be run by Labor for the cost of one every

Labor draws its finances from two sources—the trade unions and the local constituency organizations. Half the present Labor members were financed to some degree by their trade unions, a large number of the rest were candidates of the Independent Labor Party and received a little help from the Central Fund, while the greatest amounts were raised locally and in all sorts of ways, from raffles to collections at meetings.

Certain unions maintain a Labor agent and an organization in the constituency, pay the cost of the election and contribute a salary allowance to the successful member. The Miners Federation, for instance, ran forty-seven candidates and returned forty-three, who receive £250 a year from the Federation in addition to their salary of £400 from the State. The National Union of Railwaymen includes a levy for a political contribution to the head office. The amounts credited in this way to the head office are as follows:

> 1920—383,921 members £20,795 16,449

The figures for 1923, when there was a further marked drop in trade union memberships and subscriptions, are not given.

From the fund thus collected, states the Manchester Guardian, about £5,000 a year goes for general expenses. The union in question had five political candidates, three of whom were elected. The cost for the five candidates is about £2,900 a year. Election expenses in 1922 were £3,900.

The Times Weekly (Jan. 3), reviewing the economic features of 1923 in England, states that the outstanding economic phenomenon was a moderate revival in trade, particularly in the closing months of the year, which was reflected by a decrease of unemployment, amounting to more than 23 per cent., and in an 8 per cent. increase in overseas trade. The state of finance, however, was not so good. Times explains this by noting that, in periods of bad trade, prices fall and money is invested in fixed interest-bearing securities, which, consequently, rise in price, while, in periods of good trade, credit is transferred from securities to trade, with the result that security prices fall while commodity prices rise. Stock Exchange securities, therefore, which had enjoyed a substantial appreciation in 1922 barely maintained their value in 1923.

The heavy fall in prices of 1920-21, which continued to the Summer of 1923, caused a deflation in credit, which was stopped by a recovery in commodity prices, the latter having been proceeding since August, 1923.

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Security Offerings. This list will be supplemented by the publication as well of such display announcements as may have appeared in The Annalist in the last quarter, containing additional facts indicative of the strength, safety and special features of the issue.

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The list of last week follows:

BONDS

		INTEREST		OFFERED		DATE
AMOUNT	NAME AND DESCRIPTION	DATES	MATURITY	AT	YIELD	OFFERE
\$84,000		J. & D. 15	Dec. 15, 1931	Par & Int.	7%	Jan. 1
800,000	6s, Series A	J. & D.	June 1, 1948	95 & Int.	6.40%	Jan. 2
840,000		J. & J.	July 1, 1924, to Jan. 1, 1934		5.50% to 6%	Jan. 2
6,000,000	Antilla Sugar Co. First 15-Yr. Sinking Fund Gold 71/2%, Series A	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1939	98 & Int.	7.70%	Jan. 2
1,200,000		J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1944	98½ & Int.	7.15%	Jan. 2
750,000			Jan. 1, 1929 to 1954		4.20%	Jan. 2
400,000		A. & O.	Oct. 15, 1924 to 1963		4.70%	Jan. 2
906,000		J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1939	98% & Int.	5.12%	Jan. 2
2,000,000			Jan. 25, 1949	96% & Int.	5.23%	Jan. 2
500,000			Jan. 3, 1940 to 1942		4%	Jan. 2
1,000,000		J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1954, Opt. 1934	101 & Int.	4.87% to opt. date; 5% thereafter	
600,000		M. & M.	May 1, 1943	Par & Int.	6.50%	Jan. 2
50,000,000		F. & A.	Feb. 1, 1954	99½ & Int.	5.03%	Jan. 2
500,000			July 1, 1952			Jan. 2
150,000					5.50%	Jan. 2
950,000			Dec 15 1095 to 1029	Par & Int.	6.50%	Jan. 2
3,000,000			Dec. 15, 1925 to 1938		4.50% to 4.60%	Jan. 2
60,000	First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Dyersburg, Tenn.,	F. & A.	Feb. 1, 1925 to 1927			
	First Serial Gold 6s	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1924 to 1934	Par & Int.	6%	Jan. 2
250,000			March 1, 1927 to 1944	Par & Int.	5%	Jan. 1
400,000	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	F. & A.	1959	Par & Int.	6%	Jan. 2
734,000	Hillsborough County, Fla., Highway & Bridge 5s	J. & J.	July 1, 1934 to 1952		4.85%	Jan. 2
2,750,000	Interstate Public Service Co. First & Ref. 61/2s, Series B	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1949	98 & Int.	6.65%	Jan. 2
3,500,000	Kansas, State of, Soldiers' Compensation Gold 41/28	J. & J.	July 1, 1949 to 1952	103.07 & Int. to 103.26 & Int.	4.30%	Jan. 2
30,000	Laurentian Power Co., Ltd., First & Ref. Gold 6s		Jan. 1, 1936	98 & Int.	6.20%	Jan. 2
190,000	Lynnhurst Apts., Detroit, First Serial Gold 7s	M. & S. 15	Sept. 15, 1926 to 1934	· Par & Int.	7%	Jan. 19
180,000	Mamaroneck, N. Y., 41/28	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1934 to 1962		4.25% to 4.20%	Jan. 2
645,000	Manila R. R. (Philippine Islands) Sinking Fund Gold 7s	M. & N.	May 1, 1937	104 1/2 & Int	6.50%	Jan. 23
70,000	Marion, Ohio, Street Imp. 51/28	M. & S.	Sept. 1, 1926 to 1932		4.80% to 4.90%	Jan. 22
344,588	Merced County, Cal., Road Dist. No. 4 Improvement Gold 6s		Feb. 10, 1929 to 1948		5.50%	Jan. 17
1,000,000	Metropolitan Ice Co. First Sinking Fund Gold 7s, Series A	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1954	Par & Int.	7%	Jan. 19
200,000	Minnesota, State of, Imp. 4s	J. & J.	Dec. 15, 1943		4.25%	Jan. 23
555,000	Montana, State of, Educational Gold 4%s	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1944, Opt. 1934		4.40% to opt. date; 4.75% thereafter	Jan. 23
340,000	Mosswood Apts., Detroit, First 61/2s	J. & J. 2	Jan. 2, 1926 to 1938	Par & Int.	6.50%	Jan. 22
1,500,000	Mystic Steamship Co. First Sinking Fund Gold 61/28 J	. & J. 15	Jan. 15, 1939	98½ & Int.	6.66%	Jan. 23
800,000	New Brunswick, Province of, 10-Yr. Gold 5s J	. & J. 15	Jan. 15, 1934	99 & Int.	51/8%	Jan. 22
3,500,000	Newfoundland, Govt. of, 20-Yr. Gold 51/28	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1944	Par & Int.	5.50%	Jan. 21
94,000	Norfolk County, Va., Road & Bridge 5s	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1944		4.85%	Jan. 25
7,200,000	Norfolk & Western Ry. Equip. Trust 41/2 % Ctfs., Series 1923	F. & A.	Feb. 1, 1925 to 1933		4.50% to 4.90%	Jan. 21
553,000	North Carolina, State of, Highway 4%s	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1939 to 1944	102.60 & Int.	4.55%	Jan. 23
4,000,000	North Carolina, State of 4%s	A. & O.	Oct. 1, 1963	104% & Int.	4.50%	Jan. 24
	2	A. & O.	Oct. 1, 1963	101 & Int.	4.45%	Jan. 24
		M. & S.	4s, March 1, 1954 to 1964 4¼s, March 1, 1929 to 1953	4s, Par & Int.	4s, 4%; 4½s, 4.15% to 4.05%	Jan. 22
1,000,000		A. & O.	Oct. 1, 1953, Opt. 1933	101 & Int.	4.87% to opt. date; 5% thereafter	Jan. 25
	Oregon, State of, Highway 4½s	J. & J.	1931 to 1943		4.40%	Jan. 23
	TO THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON O		Jan. 1, 1925 to 1934			Jan. 22
		M. & N.	May 1, 1948	97 & Int.	6.75%	Jan. 22
		J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1950 to 1952		4%	Jan. 23
	St. Thomas Theological Seminary, Denver, First Real Estate	J. & J.	July 1, 1924 to 1933	Par & Int.	5.50%	Jan. 16
2,500,000	San Joaquin Light & Power Corp. Unifying & Ref. Gold 6s,	M. & S.	March 1, 1952	99 & Int.	6.05%	Jan. 22
			1928 to 1938		4.45%	Jan. 23
200,000	Toledo, Ohio, Sewer & Garbage 58	J. W. J.			/2	Contracto DEC
		J. & J.			5.25%	Jan 21
1,162,000	Toronto, Ont., Direct Obligation Coupon Gold 5s	J. & J. A. & O. F. & A.	Oct. 1, 1928 to 1931 Feb. 1, 1925 to 1952		5.25% 4.85% to 5%	Jan. 21 Jan. 23

AMOUNT	NAME AND DESCRIPTION	INTEREST DATES	MATURITY	OFFERED	YIELD	DATE OFFERED
10,000,000	Union Electric Light & Power Co. of Illinois Frst Gold 5½s, Series A	J. & J.	Jan. 1, 1954	95% & Int.	5.80%	Jan. 23
2,000,000	Vanderbilt Ave. Bldg. Corp. First (Closed) Leasehold Sinking Fund Gold 61/28	& J. 15	Jan. 15, 1944	99 & Int.	6.50%	Jan. 23
400,000	Willamette Iron & Steel Works, 3-Yr. Gold 6 1/2 % Notes J.		Dec. 15, 1926	98.70 & Int.	7%	Jan. 14
130,000			March 1, 1929 to 1933; Feb. 1, 1934 to 1939		4.20 %	Jan. 23
700,000	Youngstown, Ohio, School Dist 58		Feb. 1, 1925, to Aug. 1, 1931		4.70%	Jan. 23

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NAME AND DESCRIPTION DA	ATES	PAR VALUE		AT	AIEPD	OFFER
J., A		\$25		\$96		Jan. 21
Sell 'Em Hot, Inc., Treas. Com		\$1	Par	& Divds.		Jan. 25
The state of the s		\$100	\$132	& Divds.		Jan. 23
		None		\$21		Jan. 25
		None	\$97	& Divds.	7.22%	Jan. 23
		\$25		\$50	6%	Jan. 15
- W - W	reat Western Sugar Co. Common	J., A., J. &	Teat Western Sugar Co. Common. J., A., J. & O. 2 \$25	Sell 'Em Hot, Inc., Treas. Com. \$1 Par	Teat Western Sugar Co. Common	Sell 'Em Hot, Inc., Treas. Com. \$1 Par & Divds.

Current Corporate Statements

STANDARD GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY for year ended Dec. 31, 1923, reports gross of \$5,196,-1970, against \$4,759,702 in 1922, an increase of 437,228, and balance, after taxes, of \$5,103,-425, compared with \$4,652,126 a year ago, a gain of \$451,299.

CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT for Novel eports gross of \$237,534, against \$221,779 in reports gross of \$231,534, against \$221,739 in November, 1922, an increase of \$15,755, and net, after expenses but before depreciation, of \$84,872, compared with \$82,968 a year ago, a ga n of \$22,964. The total gross for the twelve months ended with November amounted to \$3,255,636; against \$3,037,538 in the corresponding period of last year, an increase of \$208,088, and net, after expenses but before depreciation, of \$1,120,485, compared with \$874,321, a gain of \$246,164.

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NEWPORT NEWS & HAMPTON RAILWAY, GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY for November, 1923, reports gross of \$162,942, against \$170,459 in November, 1922, a decrease of \$7,517, and balance, after charges, of \$20,384, compared with \$36,467 a year ago, a loss of \$16,083. The total gross for the twelve months ended with November amounted to \$2,110,291, against \$2,063,220 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of \$17,071, and balance, after charges, of \$337,100, compared with \$350,973, a loss of \$13,873.

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HUPP MOTOR CAR CORPORATION, in its consolidated balance sheet of Nov. 30, 1923, shows: Assets—Cash, \$585,942; United States certificates, \$100,000; sight drafts for cars in transit, \$1,054,455; accounts receivable, \$175,655; inventories, \$7,016,003; real estate, plant, equipitent, &c., less reserve for depreciation, trade names, &c., \$3,858,921; total, \$20,769,648. Liabilities—Notes payable, \$1,390,000; eccunts payable, \$1,390,000; accounts payable, \$1,385,333; accrued wages, \$191,317; reserve for accrued interest, taxes, &c., \$1,325,371; reserve for balance 1922 and 11 months of 1923, Federal taxes, \$424,457; dealers' deposits, \$114,801; purchase obligations, \$340,000; preferred stock, \$506,600; common stock, \$5,711,310; surplus, \$9,008,269; total, \$20,760,648.

AMERICAN WHOLESALE CORPORATION (mail or-ders) for year ended Dec. 31, 1923, reports ret earnings of \$1,866,942, after Federal taxes, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$13.98 a share earned on the 95,994 common shares of no par value, compared with net of \$354,-480, or \$4 a share on common in the previous year.

MANHATTAN SHIET COMPANT for year ended MANHATTAN SHIET COMPANT for year ended for the state of t

DETROIT EDISON COMPANY for December, 1923, reports gross of \$3,225,679, against \$2,762,763 in December, 1922, an increase of \$462,916, and surplus, after charges, of \$878,696, compared with \$594,294 a year ago, a gain of \$284,402. The total gross for the tweive months ended with December, 1923, amounted to \$31,724,185, against \$26,552,486 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of \$5,371,699, and surplus, after charges, of \$5,147,551, compared with \$3,259,421, a gain of \$1,888,130.

MARKET STREET RAILWAY for December, 1923, reports gross of \$841,250, against \$838,821 in December, 1922. an increase of \$2,438, and surplus, after charges, of \$148,120, compared with \$159,533 a year ago, a decrease of \$1,413. The total gross for the twelve months ended with December, 1923, amounted to \$9,809,300, against \$9,583,437 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of \$225,953, and surplus, after charges, of \$1,700,048, compared with \$1,418,020, a gain of \$282,028.

NATIONAL DEPARTMENT STORES, INC., including the Frank & Seder group., reports sales for December, 1923, of \$8,469,456, compared with \$1,418,020 in December, 1922, an increase of \$1,014,808, or 13.61 per cent. For the eleven months ended with December, 1923, total sales were \$68,020,480, against \$57,950,319 last year, a gain of \$10,000,161, or 17,29 per cent. MARKET STREET RAILWAY for December, 1923

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY for year ended Dec. 31, 1923, shows estimated net income of \$11,673,536, after charges and taxes, equivalent to \$11.69 a share earned on \$90,786,727 capital stock, compared with \$11,158,180, or \$11.18 a share, in 1922.

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Coca Cola Company for quarter ended Oct.

1. reports net income of \$1,270,210, before Federal taxes but after expenses and mlacellaneous deductions, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$2.19 a share earned on the 500,000 shares of no par common stock, compared with \$1,871,237, or \$3.39 a share in preceding quarter, and \$2,464,707, or \$4.57 a share, in quarter ended Oct. 1, 1922. Net income for first nine months of 1923, before Federal taxes, totaled \$4,635,004, equivalent to \$8.22 a share earned on common stock, after preferred dividends, against \$6,185,808, or \$11.32 a share, in same period of 1922.

MEDIE STATES OIL CORFORATION for quarter ended Sept. 30, 1923, reports net income of \$755,973, subject to depletion but after expenses and reserve for Federal taxes, &c., equivalent to 25 cents a share, (par \$10) carned on \$29,783, 770 stock, compared with \$1,77,978, or 71 cents a share, on \$23,917,000 stock in corresponding period of 1922.

SWHT & Co. for year ended No. 3, 1923, pages 1821, 2022 and \$22,720, 2022 and \$22

stock in corresponding period of 1922.

SWIPT & Co. for year ended Nov. 3, 1923, shows net profit of \$13,184,619, after taxes, &e., equivalent to \$8.79 a share earned on \$150,000,000 outstanding capital stock, compared with \$13,049,217, or \$8.70 a share in new ous year. The balance sheet as of Nov. 3, 1923, follows: Assets—Cash, \$7,384,419; accounts receivable, \$107,607,908; inventories, \$90,653,967; stocks and bonds, \$42,155,315; real estate. &c., \$89,422,843; total, \$337,864,445. Liabilities—Capital stock, \$150,000,000; bonds, \$27,588,500; 5 per cent. notes, \$49,500,003;

notes payable, \$21,240,650; accounts payable, \$14,742,447; reserves, \$10,819,658; surplus, \$63,973,828; total, \$337,864,443.

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY for year ended

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY for year ended Dec. 31, 1923, reports net earnings of \$12,092,-\$28, after taxes, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$5.05 a share (par \$25) earned on outstanding \$51,163,000 ccmmon stock. This compares with \$11,024,980, or \$4.53 a share, on common in 1922. The balance sheet as of Dec. 31, 1923, follows. Assets—Plants, &c., \$68,399,760; cash, \$3,277,344; United States bonds, \$13,300,764; securities, \$562,011; accounts receivable, \$3,273,483; inventory, \$6,580,844; total, \$95,394,206. Liabilities—Preferred stock, \$24,804,500; common stock, \$51,163,000; accounts payable, \$699,255; dividends payable, \$1,534,806; reserves, \$5,700,060; surplus, \$11,492,561; total, \$95,394,206.

NASH MOTOR COMPANY for year ended Nove

plus, \$11,492,561; total, \$95,394,206.

NASH Motor Company for year ended Nov. 30, 1923, reports net income of \$9,280,032, after expenses, depreciation and Federal taxes, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$29,57 a share earned on outstanding 273,000 common shares of no par value, compared with net income of: \$7,613,246, or \$134.62 a share, carned on outstanding 34,600 shares of no par common stock in previous year. The balance sheet as of Nov. 30, 1923, follows: Assets-Real estate, equipment, &c., \$4,999,339; miscellaneous investments, \$5,903, 727; Government securities, \$8,700,552; inventories, \$4,875,188; notes receivable, \$224,856; cash, \$12,987,687; prepaid express, \$5,903; total, \$37,320,392. Liabilities—Preferred A stocks, \$15,760,900; common stock, \$1,602,000; accounts payable, \$1,792,864; tax reserve, \$5,721,759; other reserve, \$3,649,362; surplus, \$8,793,687; total, \$37,320,392.

New Niquero Sugar Company for year ended

total, \$37,320,392.

New Niquero Sugar Company for year ended July 31, 1923, reports net profit of \$780,987, after interest, depreciation, Federal taxes, &c., equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$16.57 a share earned on \$4,500,009 outstanding common stock. All preferred stock has been retired. In previous year net profit was \$611,398, or \$40.75 a share, on combined \$1,500,000 common and preferred stocks.

Packard Motor Car Company reports for quarter ended Nov. 30, 1923, net profits of \$1,161,339, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to 38 cents a share (par \$10) earned on outstanding \$23,770,200 common stock, against \$2,553,164, or \$1,93 a share, on \$11,885,100 common outstanding in same quarter of 1922.

NORTH AMERICAN COMPANY and subsidiaries for the twelve months ended Nov. 30, 1923, show surplus of \$\frac{1}{2}\], 124.254, after taxes, interest and preferred dividends but before depreciation, compared with surplus of \$\frac{9}{2}\], 724, 224 before depreciation in previous year.

CUBAN-DOMINICAN SUGAR COMPANY for year ended Sept. 30, 1923, shows net profit of \$1,409,905, after Interest, depreciation, &c. equivalent, after 8 per cent. dividend requirements on \$8,201,220 non-cumulative preferred stock, to 72 cents a share earned on 1.035,517 shares of no par common stock, compared

with deficit of \$1,780,265 in previous year. The consolidated balance sheet as of Sept. 30, 1923, follows: Assets—Property, machinery, &c., \$28,457,081; cash, \$316,147; accounts receivable, \$96,908; raw sugar on hand, \$3,676,729; material and supplies, \$1,762,917; advances, \$1,910,870; planted and growing cane, \$2,819,250; animals, equipment. &c., \$732,831; deferred charges, \$947,699; total, \$40,720,441. Liabilities—8 per cent. non-cumulative preferred stock, \$8,201,220; common stock (1,635,517 shares, no par), \$19,384,618; bills and loans payable, \$6,289,941; accounts payable, \$752,949; salaries and wages accrued, \$15,672; interest accrued, \$238,371; purchase money notes, \$1,945,580; real estate mortgage, \$500,000; bonds and subsidiaries, \$3,500,000; total, \$40,720,441.

BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY for year ended Sept. 39, 1923, reports net profits of 44,494,971, after charges and income taxes, compared with £4,400,783 in previous year.

CONTINENTAL MOTORS CORPORATION for year ended Oct. 31, 1923, reports net profit of \$1,837,453, after interest, depreciation and Federal taxes, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$1.08 a share earned on 1,760,845 shares of no par common stock, compared with \$1,469,944, or 90 cents a share, on the 1,469,845 shares of \$10 par outstanding in previous year.

Dome Mines, Ltb., reports December production of \$372,962, compared with \$381,540 in November, \$380,539 in October and \$361,-213 in December, 1922.

HUSON MOTOR CAR COMPANY for year ended Nov. 30, 1923, reports net income of \$8,003.624, after depreciation and Federal taxes, equivalent to \$6.66 a share earned on outstanding 1,200,100 shares no par value stock, compared with \$7,242,677, or \$6.03 a share, in previous year. The consolidated balance sheet follows: Assets—Cash, \$3,354,486; accounts receivable, &c., \$602,074; inventories, \$6,453,355; investments, \$69,110; United States Treasury notes, \$4,000,000; real estate, plant and equipment, \$10,050,272; deferred charges, \$87,450; total, \$27,386,747. Liabilities—Accounts payable, \$2,516,504 9 accrued accounts, \$1,143,400; capital stock, \$13,201,000; surplus, \$9,459,970; total, \$27,386,747.

WALDORF SYSTEM for December, 1923, reports sales of \$1,170,829, compared with \$1,106,391 in December, 1922, an increase of \$64,438, or 5.82 per cent. For the twelve monfos ended December total sales were \$13,307,073, against \$12,118,596 last year, a gain of \$1,188,477, or 9.80 per cent.

9.80 per cent.

WEST PENN COMPANY for November, 1923, reports gross of \$1,999,362, against \$1,822,590 in November, 1922, an increase of \$176,782, and surplus, after charges, of \$294,887, compared with \$245,437 a year ago, a gain of \$49,450. Total gross for twelve months ended November, 1923, amounted to \$23,129,281 against \$16,639,665 in corresponding period last year, an increase of \$6,489,616, and surplus, after charges, of \$2,948,625, compared with \$1,644,561, a gain of \$1,304,064.

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Figures Facts and Business Import

COMPARISON OF WEEK'S COMMERCIAL FAILURES (DUN'S). Week Ended Jan. 25, 13*4. Total. Over \$5,000 Tc East 139 92 South 122 69 West 145 85 Pacific 52 24 203 187 116 115 110 113 50 42 72 90 70 40 15 33 20 13 138 $\frac{114}{23}$ 72 9 20 50 63 35 U. S. 458 Canada . . . 64 270 298 41

ALIEN MIGRATION.

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loss	80,737	+83,358	+81.787	+ 77.501	+38.751	+47.057	+47.924	+39.278

FAILURES BY MONTHS.

December,		Twelve Months.			
Liabilities\$51,614 Number 1,84	,730 \$52,069,021	\$539,386,806 18,718	1922. \$617,896,251 23,676	1921. \$627,401,883 19,682	

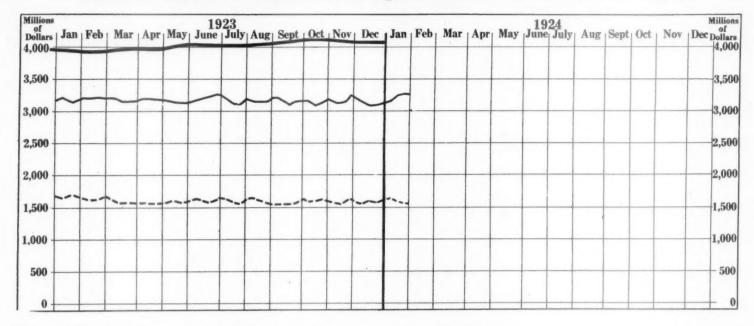
BUILDING PERMITS (BRADSTREET'S).

Dece	mber	Nove	mber.———	Octo	ober
1923.	1922.	1923.	1922.	1923.	1922.
159 Cities.	159 Cities.	175 Cities.	175 Cities.	176 Cities.	176 Cities.
\$240,902,724	\$221,014,501	\$254,907,442	\$207,436,488	\$275,615,943	\$210,685,263

SUMMARY OF IDLE CARS AND CAR LOADINGS. AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

Nov. 29.	Nov. 22. 115,074	Nov. 14. 78.911	Nov. 8. 39,747	Oct. 81. 56,553	Oct. 22. 55,971
Jan. 12.	Jan. 5.	Dec. 29.	Dec. 22.	Dec. 15.	Dec. 8.
Car loadings872,265	703,269	615,431	877,257	899,522	913,774

Federal Reserve Gold Holdings and Total Stock of Gold



The space between the base line and the broken line represents the cash reserves required, that between the broken line and the light line the excess reserves, or free gold, and the whole space between the base line and the heavy line represents the total stock of gold. The supply is computed monthly, so that the record can never be brought to the date of publication. The chart records the last figures published.

Week	Ended	Saturday,	Jan.	26.
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Bank Clearings

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	-Last		Year t	
Reserve Cities:	1924.	1923.	1924.	1923.
New York	2,234,674	\$4,051,955,527	\$18,451,423,318	\$17,840,277,046
Chicago 55	5,512,764	573, 190, 157	2,422,539,724	2,517,035,202
Total 2 C. R. cities\$4,94	7,747,438	\$4,625,145,684	\$20,873,963,042	\$20,357,312,248
Increase	6.9%		2.5%	
Other Federal Reserve cities:				
Atlanta \$6	1,802,151	\$54,519,331	\$234,036,928	\$216,429,138
Boston 39	3,000,000	348,000,000	1,726,000,000	1.584,000,000
	8,420,604	104,541,869	427,918,465	434,090,335
	3,001,473	130,793,025	478,674,139	560,981,771
	5,690,189	69,713,897	247.667.387	295,788 061
	3,000,000	479,000,000	968,800,000	1,988,000 000
	9,931,000	58,128,000	214,871,000	221,719,000
	0,100,000	144,200,000	645,900,000	627,900,000
Total 8 cities\$1,40	4.945.417	\$1,388,896,122	\$4,943,867,919	\$5,908,908,308
Increase	1.2%		*19.5%	
Total 10 cities\$6,35	2.692,855	\$6,014,041,806	\$25,817,820,961	\$26,266,220,556
Increase	5.0%		*1.7%	

	Last	Week.	Year to	Date.
Other cities:	1924.	1923.	1924.	1923.
Buffalo Cincinnati Columbus, Ohio Denver Los Angeles Louisville Milwaukee New Orleans Omaha St. Paul Seattle Washington	67,316,000 12,089,400 19,641,871 146,218,000 29,679,781 31,808,080 60,161,735 33,238,580 28,640,016 37,994,120	\$37,773,043 67,503,000 14,846,500 20,325,091 117,387,000 31,375,144 31,486,028 57,137,846 41,376,486 33,203,648 33,034,123 18,997,430	\$181,189,988 265,290,000 54,162,500 88,498,820 599,397,000 125,918,299 141,290,745 267,064,096 137,027,801 126,568,104 158,121,019 89,699,361	\$174,466,566 278,624,000 64,412,700 82,778,119 487,428,000 138,595,106 139,758,856 236,817,190 174,660,945 138,650,251 137,954,018 85,476,345
Total 12 cities		\$485,447,889	\$2.234,167,733 4.4%	\$2,139,622,098
Total 22 cities		\$6,499,489,695	\$28,051,988,694 *1.3%	\$28,405,842,654

Actual Condition,

Statement of the Federal Reserve Banks

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CONDITION AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 23.													
Dist. 1,	Dist. 2.	Dist. 3,	Dist. 4,	Dist. 5,	Dist. 6.	Dist. 7.	Dist. 8.	Dist. 9,	Dist. 10,	Dist. 11,	Dist. 12, San		
Boston.	New York.	Philadelphia.	Cleveland.	Richmond.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St.Louis.	Minneapolis.		Dallas.	Francisco.		
Gold reserve\$270,123,000	\$991,274,000	\$231,374,000	\$298,443,000	\$109,061,000	\$111,723,000	\$538,297,000	\$94,658,000	\$85,390,000	\$94,173,000	\$46,027,000	\$281,119,000		
Rediscounts 13,671,000	102,726,000		21,509,000	20,746.000	13,959,000	23,903,000	14,680,000	2,411,000	9,626,000	1,598,000	17,035,000		
Bills bought 26,968,000	39,655,000	33,705,000	43,459,000	3,045,000	13,160,000	38,221,000	655,000	2,650,000	85,000	42,534,000	31,860,000		
Due members 123,658,0:0	738,510,000	115,236,000	158,452,000	65,317,000	57,249,000	277,908 000	69,281,000	46,972,000	76,107,000	58,322,000	147,937,000		
F. R. notes in circ'n 200,862,000	389,419,000	191,043,000	222,238,000	90,992,000	132,555,000	371,667,000	70,850,000	62,053,000	63,335,000	46,623,000	208, 197, 000		
Ratio, &c 85.5%	88.0%	76.3%	79.9%	71.5%	63.0%	84.5%	75.5%	77.4%	69.0%	49.0%	78.0%		

Federal Reserve Bank Statement

Consolidated statement of twelve Federal F			
RESOURCES— Gold with Federal Reserve agents	Jan. 23, 1924.	Jan. 16, 1924. \$2,130,879,000	Jan. 24, 1923. \$2,181,121,000
Gold held exclusively against F. R. notes Gold settlement fund—Federal Reserve Board Gold and gold certificates held by banks	587,327,000	573,038,000	556,642,000
Total gold reserves			
Total reserves	63,331,000		
ernment obligations	272,927,000		341,454,000 228,281,000
Total bills discounted		\$534,185,000 292,744,000	\$569,735,000 204,547,000
Bonds Treasury notes Certificates of indebtedness	76,455,000	20,026,000 72,084,000 24,502,000	28,781,000 *138,076,000 185,962,000
Total U. S. Government securities		\$116,612,000 20,000	
Total earning assets. Five per cent. redemption fund—Federal Reservant Bank notes Uncollected items Bank premises All other resources.	28,000 591,436,000 54,578,000	\$943,561,000 28,000 670,437,000 54,209,000 16,185,000	\$1,127,105,000 310,000 580,151,000 43,400,000 15,497,000
Total resources	\$4,935,789,000	\$5,023,750,000	\$5,067,487,000
LIABILITIES— Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation Federal Reserve Bank notes in circulation—net Deposits:	439,000	444,000	3,132,000
Member bank—reserve account	61,184 000	1,936,307,000 39,436,000 23,895,000	1,924,521,000 33,042,000 33,263,005
Total deposits Gerred availability items Capitai paid in Surplus All other liabilities	. 523,511,000 110,035,000 220,915,000	\$1,999,638,000 595,671,000 110,302,000 220,915,000 12,460,000	\$1,990,826,000 515,000,000 107,648,000 218,369,000 11,196,000
Total liabilities	.\$4,935,789,000	\$ 5,023,750,000	\$5,067,487,000
Reserve note liabilities combined	. 80.4%	80.1%	76.5%
*Includes Victory notes.	. 17,010,000	17,315,000	33,928,000

Statement of Member Banks

Data for Federal Reserve			erve Branch (Cities.
		York.		lcago.
and the tests	Jan. 16.	Jan. 9.	Jan. 16,	Jan. 9.
Number of reporting banks Loans sec. by U. S. Gov't oblig'ns	\$66,563,000	\$73,977,000	\$29,285,000	494 709 000
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds		1,500,503,000	441,473,000	\$26,523,000 440,784,000
All other loans and discounts		2,151,558,000	637,461,000	644,146,000
Total loans and discounts		\$3,726,038,000	\$1,108,219,000	
United States pre-war bonds	38,052,000	38,051,000	4,215,000	4,220,000
United States pre-war bonds United States Liberty bonds	396,715,000	393,980,000	39,028,000	36,285,000
United States Treasury bonds	17,149,000	17,597,000	5,205,000	5,237,000
United States Treasury notes	439,587,000	441,533,000	80,548,000	68,522,000
United States ctfs. of indebtedness.	20,146,000	22,479,000	13,089,000	12,357,000
Other bonds, stocks, securities	540,486,000	552,876,000	161,953,000	162,819,000
Total loans, discounts, invest's	\$5,149,757,000	\$5,192,554,000	\$1,412,257,000	\$1,400,893,000
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank.	618,111,000	591,634,000	136,341,000	152,790,000
Cash in vault	63,825,000	71,812,000	28,094,000	31,910,000
Net demand deposits	617 320 000	4,334,278,000 611,946,000	994,875,000 372,217,000	1,003,001,000 373,191,000
Government deposits	617,320,000 37,746,000	41,947,000	6,937,000	7,632,000
Bills payable	53,600,000	68,000,000	3,611,000	1,607,000
All other	11,237,000	1,540,000	2,301,000	2,853,000
	All Rese	rve Cities	-Reserve B	ranch Cities-
	Jan. 16.	Jan. 9.	Jan. 16.	Jan. 9.
Number of reporting banks	255	255	204	205
Loans sec. by U. S. Gov't oblig'ns	\$145,064,000	\$150,941,000	\$41,393,000	\$42,091,000
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds All other loans and discounts	4 775 911 000	2,774,237,000 4,773,518,000	628,020,000 1,634,500,000	624,238,000 1,643,470,000
Total loans and discounts		\$7,698,696,000	The second secon	
United States pre-war honds	88,801,000	88,748,000	\$2,303,913,000 74,225,000	\$2,309,799,000 74,246,000
United States pre-war bonds United States Liberty bonds	620,092,000	614,439,000	227,455,000	225,208,000
United States Treasury bonds	40,802,000	41,992,000	19,413,000	19,752,000
United States Treasury notes United States ctfs. of indebtedness.	635,256,000	625,435,000	139,015,000	140,208,000
	64,484,000	67,017,000	30,499,000	33,286,000
Other bonds, stocks, securities		1,165,875,000	595,110,000	598,106,000
Total loans, discounts, invest's.\$1	1 000 905 000	\$10,302,202,000 1,020,149,000	\$3,389,630,000	\$3,400,605,000
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank Cash in vault	137,608,000	155,490,000	233,860,000 61,498,000	239,252,000 67,034,000
Net demand deposits		7,685,914,000	1,941,937,000	1,943,953,000
Time deposits	1,996,805,000	1,698,002,000	1,236,081,000	1,230,606,000
Government deposits	89,041,000	98,939,000	38,888,000	43,098,000
Bills payable	82,884,000	112,073,000	40,977,000	48,445,000
All other	52,466,000	65,053,000	45,040,000	45,242,000
			Other Selec	
Number of reporting banks			Jan. 16, 303	Jan. 9.
Loans secured by United States Go	vernment obl	igations	\$37,007,000	\$35,555,000
Loans secured by stocks and bonds.	***********		524,387,000	522,288,000
All other loans and discounts	**********		1,364,516,000	1,364,612,000
Total loans and discounts	**********		1,925,910,000	\$1,922,455,000
United States pre-war bonds United States Liberty bonds			106,798,000	106,698,000
United States Liberty bonds	**********	***********	166,668,000	165,746,000
United States Treasury bonds		*********	20,056,000	19,001,000
United States Treasury notes United States certificates of indebto	dness		67,489,000 12,300,000	67,046,000 13,431,000
Other bonds, stocks, securities			439,755,000	440,147,000
Total loans, discounts, investmen				\$2,735,124,000
Reserve balance with Federal Reserv	ve Bank		169.829,000	170,716,000
Cash in vault	**********		80.499.000	88,315,000
Net demand deposits			1,669,144,000	1,655,484,000
Time deposits	**********		879,239,000	1,177,049,000
Government deposits			10,847,000	11,995,000
Bills payable	*********		24,582,000 38,342,000	29,326,000
			OC. OT URB)	48,722,000

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\$1.50 per share upon the preferred capital stock of
the company will be paid by check on February
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Twelve Months to November 30, 1925
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the control of industry of the private capitalist, individual or joint stock."

There is another point which should be mentioned. The British Labor Party is not free, because it is affiliated with the Workers' Socialist International, having three representatives on an executive committee of thirty-four. If the Labor Party forms a Government to goven England what will be the relationship between this organization and the Labor Party? The Workers' Socialist International is an alien body composed of foreigners from all parts of Europe. Are they to dominate the party governing England? because the International lays it down that its decisions on all international questions are binding on its affiliated bodies, of which the Labor Party, as I have said, is one. Would the Labor-Socialist foreign Minister at the English foreign office be a free agent? These are important questions and they also have a direct interest for American citizens who are vitally concerned with good government in England.

One member of the party, who if a Labor Government comes into office, would probably hold high rank, possibly as Chancellor of the Exchequer, recently wrote that the "worst evils of unemployment may be eliminated by State action, which would be within the power of a Labor Government on its accession to office." Having the financial means at its disposal-meaning the control of the taxpayers' money-"it could put into operation extensive schemes of public works of a necessary, useful and remunerative character." Its main idea would be to absorb the unemployed in the trades in which the men had been accustomed to work. But when all these goods are made who is to buy them? Should we be burdened with colossal dumps similar to the huge heaps of war material after the war ended? The biggest warehouses would never hold such a quantity of products; they would be filled to bursting. Why, there would be mountains of furniture, piece goods, pig iron, and every conceivable commodity; everything would be present, except the buyers. The taxpayers would go on paying for the production at enormous cost of these unwarranted goods, which could never be sold. Today, the country is spending some £50,000,000 or more on public works, roads, railways, &c., but, of course, this outlay cannot go on every year. It is admitted by the Labor members themselves that the cost of finding work for all would be so large even if the work done were ultimately productive, as to cause the breakdown of the present financial system. That must inevitably be the result of any Government attempt "to find work for all."

Let American readers clearly understand that the real fight in coming elections in the United Kingdom will not be so much on fiscal questions, although they will be included, but it will concentrate around Socialism and the present system of capitalism. The Socialists in Britain are out to smash that. Quite likely the Labor Party will support a protectionist policy in the near future, simply because the stern logic of events may compel them to do so. Cne of the Labor leaders recently said at a great demonstration in London that even if we had most perfect peace and the completest freedom of international trade we should still have with us the problem of the unemployed so long as the capitalist system of industry remained. As a permanent problem, he said, it would not be solved without a complete and thorough transformation of the system and the introduction of a new industrial order based upon public ownership and democratic control of the primary sources of wealth, the instruments of production and the machinery of distribution. The Labor Party say it will not agree "with the wholesale destitution and underpayment of the workers while the country is glutted with wealth. The production of wealth for social use, instead of the production of commodities for sale at a profit, is the only possible cure for unemployment." The above few extracts indicate clearly the policy of Labor which, by the time these lines appear, may be rulers of England, but carefully held in check by the great body of Conservatives and the smaller body of Liberais, enough to bundle the Labor Party out of office any day. That is why the country is quite quiet and confident. Should Labor come into office it will not be permitted by the great opposing parties that juggling with British finance known as inflation of the currency. Weeks ago a junior member of the Baldwin Ministry made some irresponsible remarks in public tending to the impression that England was going to inflate her currency to a small extent. Within a few hours inquiries were cabled to London newspaper offices, banks, and other centres of information inquiring whether this was really the intention of the British Government. The reply was, of course, emphatically in the negative, and the foolish Minister of State had to publicly withdraw and explain his foolish remarks. But the mischief had been done. Instantly large sums were withdrawn from British banks and there were heavy sales of British Government securities on the London Exchange, the proceeds being sent to Switzerland, United States of

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Am. Pow. & Lt. deb. 6s, 2016	92	9336	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C., Rector	0813
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Am, Lt. & Trac. 6s, M. & N. '25	16356	105	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
Am. Lt. & Trac. 6s, 1925	100%	103	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	6813
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Appalachian Pow. Co. 1st 5s, '41	101	102	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector	0813
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Ark. Lt. & Pow. 1st 6s, 1945	107	8B	Pynchon & Co. 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
Pinghamton Lt., H. & P. 1946	7536		John Nicherson & Co., 61 B way, N.Y.C. Bowl. Gr. Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C. Rector	6490
Bloomington, D. & C. 5s, 1940	100	64	Pynchon & Co. 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector	0813
B way & 7th Av. R. R. con.5s, 43	2004	513	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector	0813
Bronx Gas & El 1st ref. 5s, 1960.	653	67	Pynchon & Co., 111 Breadway, N.Y.C., Rector	0813
B way Surface R. R. 1st 5s, 1924	80	163	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector	0813
B'klyn Un. El. R. R. 1st 3s, 1950	97	100	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector	0813
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Buffalo General Elec. Co. 5s, '39	5161844	101	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
Luffalo Gen. Elec. 1st 5s, 1939	N136	84	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
Buffalo Ry. 1st con. 5s, 1931		72	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
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Seveland Elec, Illum. 5s, 1989	5359	160	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
leveland Elec. Illum. 7s, 1941	106%	1004	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector	0813
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enver Gas & Elec. 1st 5s, 1949.	19.4%	9314	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector 081;
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om. Pow. & Trans. 1st 5s, 1932	5634	91	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector 0813
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conomy Lt. & Pow. Co., 1958	9103	97	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector 0813
lectric Dev. Co. 5e, 1933	53-8	96	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector 081;
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Cole lat 5s, 1941	24	5495	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C Rector 0813
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R. R. 1st 5s, 1938,	765%	71414	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector 0613
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Georgia Lt., Pow. & Ry. 7s, '25.	97736	100%	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.CRector 0
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America and other financial centres. The value of the pound instantly began to fall and it has never really recovered its former position. The idea behind the policy of inflation is that, in industries where we are in competition with other industrial countries, British manufacturers, in order to maintain their position, may have to reduce wages, or to insist on an increased output; whereas by the inflation method, immediate unpleasantness could be avoided by thus paying manual labor in a depreciated currency. But this would only postpone the trouble when the workmen realized that their wages did not have the purchasing power they had expected, because inflation would soon make its presence felt in higher prices for the commodities that enter into the cost of living. Inflation, or debasing the currency, is a means of replenishing the exchequers of a relatively few people at the expense of the mass of the people. By inflation the creditor is legally exploited by the debtor, so that no one is willing to lend afresh unless at exorbitant interest. Thrift becomes a mockery and a laughing stock. Because of our financial stability London has become the mart of capital, and not of British capital only, but of foreign capital, to the great benefit of England. We have also to buy huge quantities of raw materials and also to pay some £36,000,000 or so a year to the United States of America. Inflation would mean that more and more of our currency would be required to pay for these materials and to meet the yearly interest payment on our debt. It would also suit our foreign and Colonial debtors very well to be able to repay us in an inferior currency depreciated by ourselves. That is why the greatest vigilance will be exercised by all responsible parties in the House of Commons to see that nothing is done by a new and unexperienced set of enthusiasts who want to set the world right in half an hour.

Time, hard work and lower prices are what are necessary to put our export trade on a sound footing, and no financial jugglery will help one jot. Germany, in capturing trade by inflation, ruined her middle class citizens dependent upon incomes from investments, and accentuated the stress of life on the mass of her people. This was done to dupe her victors by a pretence of poverty, and, incidentally, to enrich a group of industrialists, who have been able to store away their gains in other lands. Today, while the German people are reaping the whirlwind, German capital is being spent on a large scale in constructing great industrial factories in Chili and in other countries. People today are too fond of straining their eyes looking for economic salvation in every direction except in that of hard and efficient work. In order to sell our goods in world markets, our prices have to come down to world prices. This means lowering the cost of production either by reducing wages or by increasing output, or both. It is, however, unfair to the industries occupied in providing commodities for the export trade, and whose wage rates are mainly regulated by foreign competition, that they should have to bear the burden of partially supporting sheltered industries. The spirit of mistaken identity of interests, to maintain either wages or profits at artificial levels. whether among combinations of working men, or combinations of capitalists, is a canker at the root of the weal of this country, and this real disease will remain untouched by any fiscal controversy or other trade specifics.

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cording to nationality and classification are given in a comprehensive table. Of the total American pre-war investments of 117,750,000 gold rubles, all are given as in capital stock. Of this total 61,950,000 rubles were investments in concerns incorporated abroad as follows:

Enterprises incorporated under foreign laws, whose main fields of operations were abroad, but which had branch establishments in Russia-1,500,000 rubles.

Corporations likewise incorporated under foreign laws, but having their entire capital invested in Russia-60,450,000 rubles.

The remaining American capital was in firms incorporated in Russia, as follows:

Enterprises incorporated under Russian laws, whose stock, in whole or in the major part, was held abroad through holding corporations that were frequently created expressly for the purpose and that commonly bore a title identical with, or one strongly resembling, the title of the Russian corporation-50,500,000 rubles.

Corporations organized under Russian laws, whose stock was not quoted on foreign exchanges and whose dividends were payable not only in Russia but also abroad, through foreign financing establishments or foreign branches of Russian banks-1,200,000 rubles.

Corporations operating under Russian laws, whose stock was not quoted on foreign Exchanges. Foreign ownership to a large extent appeared certain from the personnel of the founders, directors and stockholders, or from other indications of similar character-4,100,000 rubles

Table II. shows the distribution of foreign capital by field of

investment. In this connection the amount of American capital involved is divided as follows: Insurance, 1,000,000 rubles; metals and machinery, 60,950,000 rubles; chemical products, 1,200,000 rubles; trading and commission houses, 54,600,000 rubles.

Table II.

Distribution of Foreign Capital by Field of Investment

	Rubles.
Mining and metallurgical industries	834,321,000
Machinery and metal working	392,709,400
Municipal public service corporations, urban real	, , , , , ,
estate, &c.	259,430,800
Financial institutions	237,200,000
Textile industry	192,493,900
Chemical industry	83,593,200
Trading establishments	80,715,200
Foodstuffs manufacture (including tobacco,	
beverages, &c.)	37,330,600
Paper and printing arts	31,404,800
Transportation (including rolling stock)	26,650,000
Sawmills and woodworking industry	25,736,500
Clay, cement, and glass products	18,239,200
Animal-products industry	14,450,000
Insurance	8,700,000
Total	242,974,600

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American Ice Company and subsidiaries for year ended Oct. 31, 1923, show net income of \$1,588,267, after charges and Federal taxes, equivalent, after preferred dividends, to \$12,511 a share earned on the outstanding \$7,500,000 common stock, compared with net income of \$2,280,280, or \$18.48 a share, in the income of \$2,280,280, or \$18.48 a share, in the force of \$2,200,280, or \$18.48 a share, in the corresponding period last year, an increase of \$2,240,280, or \$12,495,000 outstanding common stock, compared with \$1,231,490, or \$3.78 a share on common in previous year.

Republic Railwar and Light Company for November, 1923, reports gross of \$87,570,87 and balance, after charges and taxes but before depreciation, of \$62,805, against \$7,570,837 in the corresponding period in the twelve months ended November amounted to \$9,027,805, and only one of \$2,290 shows a period of \$198,851,951, compared with \$40,213, a gain of \$135,1605, and balance, after charges and taxes but before depreciation, of \$62,805, against \$7,570,837 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of \$1,85,1951, compared with \$40,213, a gain of \$135,1605, and balance, after charges and taxes but before the previous year.

Arkanbas Light and plants \$24,601,445 in 1922, an increase of \$2,805,105, and not after taxes and charges, of \$22,905, compared with \$40,213, a gain of \$135,105, and plants and charges, of \$22,905, compared with \$40,213, a gain of \$135,105, and plants and charges, of \$22,905, compared with \$40,213, a gain of \$135,105, and plants and charges, of \$22,935, compared with \$41,245, an increase of \$24,290. Balance, after taxes and charges, of

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business, although not a matter of indifference to it. In its annual report for 1919 occurs this passage, "While the Federal Reserve Board will always be mindful of the interdependence of credit and industry, and of the influence exerted on prices by the general volume of credit the board nevertheless cannot assume to be an arbiter of industry and On other occasions Federal Reserve spokesmen have said publicly that the preservation of the liquidity and solidity of bank assets was the bank's chief care, and that the market was the best regulator of prices. In a letter to The London Times Mr. Keynes expressed his opinion, if not hope, that American prices would rise above the par of exchange and thus correct the discount on the pound which brings us gold against our will, if not wish. If only the Federal Reserve would inflate dollar credits then it would suffice merely to keep the pound steady until the reverse flow of gold fattened the anaemic pound. Mr. Keynes lost his patience with the Bank of England's stolidity in not declaring a policy of fostering confidence in the British price level. Just so now there are those who think that our Federal Reserve should declare its policy in plain words and not confine itself to declarations of bank rate as subject to ambiguous interpretation as the signs of the Pythian Prophetess. Keynes could stabilize sterling prices he would be willing, he says, 'to let the dollar exchange go hang." He has the courage of his convictions. Americans have less confidence in the dollar premium and think it necessary to protect it in the British manner, rather than Mr. Kevnes's.

The reason for American caution is plain. The gold standard can be preserved only by the use of the gold in the Federal Reserve. There is no other free gold, and not enough gold in total existence without ours to restore international trade on the basis of settlement of balances in gold. Secretary Hoover, Secretary Mellon and Paul Warburg are among those who have foreseen this. Mr. Warburg said recently:

"Many leading central banks, and some of the newly born note-issuing banks [of Europe] are now using their cash balances in the United States or dollar acceptances as their principal or secondary gold reserves. Thus our vast gold treasure has begun to serve as the fundamental basis not only for our own currency and credit structure, but also for that of other countries. This condition is likely to prevail in an increasing measure in coming years, and it will, therefore, be all the more important to keep our gold reserves high.

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"If the world is ever to return to a fairly normal state of things, it must be permitted, in one form or another, to regain the facility of using as the basis of its financial structure that share of Uncle Sam's excess ownership of gold that is a luxury and danger to him and a necessity for others. We must learn to consider our gold as the gold reserve, not only of the United States, but of practically the entire world, and we must administer it with that fact in our minds."

The change in the form of the bank statement must be read in connection with that declaration by so eminent a practitioner of good banking, and so authoritative an adviser of the body which has exclusive control of note issues. The Federal Reserve Banks control credit, subject to review by the Reserve Board. That board has exclusive control of note issues. The Reserve notes are made gold certificates by the new form of bank statement. The currency and credit factors of the situation are separated in form, but are interrelated in practice in the United States on principles which the Cunliffe committee recommended for enactment in England, with the addition of what A. C. Miller of the Federal Reserve Board called a "super-reserve" in his article in The American Economic Review for June, 1921. "super-reserve" consists of increasing or decreasing the fiduciary quality of the reserve notes in proportion to the amount of commercial collateral substituted for gold behind the notes. Gold reserves at or over 100 per cent. are not in excess of the demand forecast in the above quotation from Mr. Warburg's formal address. In 1919 we exported \$291,650,000 more gold than we imported, and we must be prepared for larger losses in proportion that the world resumes the gold standard. It would lead too far afield to discuss any of the several proposed substitutes, including those mentioned above. Much may be said in favor of them theoretically, but the world is not yet converted to them, and the process of education will be long. When Russia and Germany have resolved to take the gold cure for their troubles no other nation will be tempted to invite like troubles preliminary to learning the same lesson, so abundantly founded alike on theory and practice In proportion as the world resumes the gold standard prosperity will return, and with world prosperity our domestic prosperity. Thus there will be a double demand on our gold reserves, to enlarge our domestic credit and to provide gold for export. The two kinds of prosperity will not march exactly in step and different banks will be affected differently in their respective businesses. One bank may be enlarging or decreasing its deposit reserve at the same time that

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another bank is enlarging or decreasing its note reserve. The mirror of the entire national position will be reflected more accurately than previously by the bank rate, which will assume an importance and authority hitherto regrettably lacking. Another barometer worth watching will be the amount and quality of the collateral pledged with the Federal Reserve agent as a reserve against notes. It is to be expected and desired that the reserve ratios should be more sensitive than previously. That will be the resultant of the free action of the banks and their customers. It will be raged against in vain, just as the farmers bore false witness against the Reserve system for despotic deflation in 1920. Governor Harding and other Reserve officials testified that credit and currency both increased long after price deflation began, and that bank deflation was the effect, not the cause, of price deflation. The President protested to Congress against the riot of extravagance, and the Federal Reserve counseled the member banks before any action was taken. Not until the reserves approached 40 per cent., and were decreasing at a time when they should have been increasing, were the rates raised and credit inflation prevented. Our reserves are now double what then they were, and there is a demand for increase and cheapening of credits at a time when there is a slack demand for either currency credits, as is shown by voluntary reductions of both according to current statements. Under such conditions the rule should be that speculative credits should be guarded against inflationary tendencies, while credits for production and distribution should be free but not unduly cheap. In the phrase of Mr. Goodenough, Chairman of Barclay's Bank, brought by the cable last week, "measures should be adopted which would preserve some degree of stability of currency in relation to commodities." If credit is increased faster than goods are produced and distributed, prices are inflated and the security of the situation lessened. To forward-looking bankers such as are in charge of our future that is undesirable, considering the world's condition and the part we must play in bettering it.

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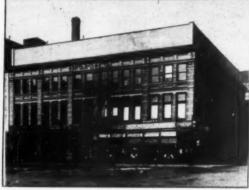
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